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Fix claim over Labour leadership

Smith hits back at critics of one-horse race'

BY SHEILA GUNN, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

JOHN Smith, looking increasingly certain to become the next Labour leader, tried to unify all factions of the demoralised party yesterday and counter accusations that the result had been stitched up.

Criticisms that the contest was a one-horse race were not quelled by his promise for a series of initiatives in the next three months addressed to all sections of the party and setting out his strategy in detail. The proposals will come from Mr Brown and his heavyweight shadow cabinet colleagues Robin Cook, Gordon

Brown and Tony Blair. John Prescott, a challenger for the deputy leadership, led protests that both posts were being predetermined on the

basis of a "nod and a wink". The moves from the Smith camp disclose the sensitivity to complaints, repeated yesterday, that the shadow chancelior is virtually being handed the leadership on a plate. In their opening shots, both Mr Brown and Mr Blair pledged their full backing for

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Anti-Kabul rebels unite

Afghan guerrilla commanders and leaders of mutinous troops have forged a new alliance against the Kabul government and are massing outside the capital to take cal rebel leader threatened to install a strict Islamic government Page 14

Arson hunt

Detectives investigating the deaths of five people in an alleged weekend arson anack in Hove are seeking four men who left the house, where they had been at a party, just before the blaze swept through the building Page 3

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The body of Julie Ston. 27, who was shot by a mugger in New Orleans, was flown home to Manchester hours after Robert Jones, 19, appeared in court charged with first degree murder and three other youths were charged with being accessories to the killing...... Page 4

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Vital food for tens of milions of people facing starvation in Africa may arrive too late because Britain, France and Denmark are arguing with the rest of the European Community about now to pay for it, Oxfam said Page 9

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Mr Smith and talked of the need for a radical, reforming way ahead for the party. Mr Brown, the shadow industry secretary, called for Mr Kinnock's modernisation and policy development to be stepped up, while Mr Blair, the shadow employment sec-retary, said the party needed a fundamental reform of

ideas and organisation.

Bryan Gould, Mr Smith's main challenger, spelled out more details of his campaign for the leadership, insisting that Labour must not go on fighting the 1992 campaign on the basis that "one more heave" would win the next general election.

Fresh indications emerged yesterday that, with Mr Smith firm favourite to inherit the leadership, Mr Gould is pinning his hopes on the less ambitious target of seizing the deputy leadership from Margaret Beckett, the favour-ite. Neil Kinnock is understood to support Mr Gould. but believes his best chance in the July 18 electoral college could be to emerge as Mr Smith's deputy.

David Blunkett, Mr

Gould's campaign manager. insisted that Mr Gould could work under Mr Smith as a ream. There was no clash of giants in the gladiatorial arena, he said. Mr Gould also sounded a conciliatory note on proportional representation, which has the tacit support of Mr Smith and the. public backing of Robin Cook, Mr Smith's campaign manager. By comparison, Mrs Beckett has made clear she remains sceptical about changing the voting

The four-cornered fight for the deputy leadership entered a fresh round when Mrs Beckett intensified her fight with Mr Gould, John Pres-cott and Ann Clwyd by putting forward her "modernisation manifesto for both country and party. I know I can work constructively alongside my friend John Smith who, I believe, should

In a newspaper article, Mr Gould called for the a new national consensus within the party about the direction of Britain that would isolate the

Conservatives and reduce their support. He also said that while many women might be attracted by Labour's policies, they were put off by the "macho style of

Mr Prescott protested that the leadership contest had been foisted on the party to hand the leadership to John Smith and Margaret Beckett. Agreements were reached with "a nod and a wink". He added on TV-am's Frost on Sunday programme: "What the election seems to have been based on is the idea that we can get two candidates and perhaps have no need for any election at all. People are getting angry about it, partic-ularly in the constituency par-ties ..., that somehow it is being settled before even the

MPs have met. Mr Gould also complained that, if he had not declared his candidacy, the party would already have a new leader, implying that it would be Mr Smith.

The criticism was echoed by the party's constituency pressure group, Labour Co-ordinating Committee, which said the contest was highly damaging to the party. "Party members, still shellshocked about the election defeat, are appalled by the smoke-filled rooms atmosphere of this election," Mike Craven, the group's chairman, said.

Bill Morris, leader of the TGWU transport workers' union, said it was outrageous and insulting to suggest his union had already made up its mind to put its weight behind Mr Smith before 29. In Perth for the Scottish TUC, he said his union was waiting to assess the candi-dates. There is no deal, no fix. Everyone in the union who has spoken to me has said they believe John Smith would make a good leader and Margaret Beckett a good deputy leader. But the TGWU position will be considered when the nomina-tions are closed. We will look at all the candidates as a potential prime minister."

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Union accuses militant teachers of risking jobs

By JOHN O'LEARY, EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

MILITANT teachers were accused vesterday by the gen-eral secretary of their union of putting their colleagues' jobs at risk by urging them not to co-operate with assessments of their performance in the

classroom. Delegates to the annual conference of the National Union of Teachers, in Blackpool, appeared to reject ap-peals from their executive to draw back from a policy of non-co-operation with appraisal in schools. The result of a vote on a more moderate line will be announced this

Doug McAvoy, the union's general secretary, accepted yesterday that the executive

had been defeated, and said that he might have to recommend the rejection of an entire package of measures on appraisal. NUT members might be in breach of contract if they tried to prevent heads from observing them.

Resistance had grown be-cause of the possibility of assessments being used to determine performance-related pay, which the government has demanded. The union leadership proposed an alternative strategy, possibly including strikes, to ensure that appraisals were not used in job applications for disciplin-Continued on page 14, col 7

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Howerd dies at 70

By ROBIN STACEY

FRANKIE Howerd, the master comic of ribald innuendo whose humour consistently breached the generation gap, died in hospital yesterday after collapsing at his London home. He was 70.

His death came less than a formight after he was re-leased from a Harley Street dinic where he had been

treated for heart trouble. Mr Howerd was a mainstay of the Carry On series of siay of the carry on seals of films but was equally at home delivering a risque mono-logue to a live audience. Many will remember him best as the superficially innocent but actually wordly-wise Continued on page 14, col 8

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Howerd: master of the innuendo

Bishop tells doubting clergy to resign

A SENIOR bishop yesterday led growing criticism of Church of England ministers who reject the traditional Easter message of Christ's resurrection. The Bishop of Salisbury, the Right Rev John Baker, said that ministers who do not believe in the bodily resurrection of Christ should resign.

His harsh words were prompted by the BBC1 docu-mentary Heart of the Matter last night which featured several clergy who do not believe in the bodily resurrection, the divinity of Christ or the transcendence of God.

Earlier, preaching in Can-terbury Cathedral, the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev George Carey, said that church people should avoid the trap of believing that if the resurrection was trimmed of its awkwardness

power. Dr Carey said that the Gospel story of the resurrec-tion still had the power to change people's lives. The res-urrection was the fundamen-

tal starting point of Christianity, he said. "Belief in the resurrection is not an appendage to the Christian faith, it is the Christian faith." In his sermon at the 11.00 am sung rucharist Dr

Carey said that post-modern late twentieth century Britons struggled to understand the resurrection. "The map of our mind has no grid reference for angels or dead men rising to new life. We do not so much reject the story as fail to

comprehend it."

The Archbishop included in his sermon a message to the newly elected government. "It will be expected of them to lead us out of the Continued on page 14, col 1

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House owners 'broke'

THOUSANDS of home owners are living in houses worth less than the mortgage on them, according to statistics compiled by the Council of Mortgage Lenders. At least 380,000 home owners are technically insolvent because their debts are larger than the value of their assets, the council says, although it points out

provided they can keep up the

mortgage payments.

Mark Boleat, CML director general, said that it was difficult to give precise figures, but research showed that thousands were suffering from "negative equity".

French ram ousts Blodwen the operatic ewe



BY MICHAEL HORNSBY IN LONDON

AND SEAN MAC CARTAIGH IN PARIS THE entente cordiale was a touch less cordial yesterday after news that a French ram by the unlikely name of Two Pence was to replace Blodwen, a Welsh mountain ewe, in the Welsh National Opera's Paris debut next Thursday, under the baton of Pierre Boulez.

Admittedly, Blodwen had only a troton, non-singing part in Debussy's Pelleas et Melisande and was on stage for less than a minute. Still, she was a seasoned trouper who had come to enjoy the spotlight and her self-esteem has

Act IV calls for a flock of sheep to be seen crossing the back of the stage. "We managed this with some dummy sheep on a conveyor belt". Chris Travers, the opera company's press spokesman.

"But the producer particularly want-

ed a live animal in the foreground. Blodwen never missed her cue during the ten performances of the opera which the WNO gave in England and Wales. We will miss her, but we understand the Châtelet Theatre in Paris, where we will be playing for four nights, has found a very competent understudy to take the

Two Pence, born six months ago, has been practising for two hours every day, according to his trainer, Valentine Aupetit, and is due for his first rehearsal on Wednesday. "Two Pence may have an English name, but he is 100 per cent French," she said yesterday. "He is no applause, and obeys 'Stop' and 'Go' commands."

In spite of this evidence that Two Pence may have been training in secret for weeks, Mr Travers played down suggestions of a malign conspiracy by the French ovine equivalent of Equity to

keep Blodwen out. "The red tape in-volved in exporting a live farm animal was just too much and we decided to leave Blodwen behind," he said.

The WNO production also calls for the appearance of three trained doves, which flutter round the tower from which Mélisande lets down her hair. The birds do not require an exportlicence and will thus not be impeded from crossing the Channel with the rest of the cast. All tickets for the opera's four-night run were sold out before

Blodwen may still find a gallery to play to. She is back with her flock on an old hill farm in Gwent that is being restored as a tourist attraction by the Ynys Hywel Countryside Centre at Cwmfelinfach.

Nina Finnigan, the centre's manager, said: The break may do her good. There was danger that she might have become a bit too prima donna-ish.'

Prince gives helping hand

Prince William, carrying an Easter egg, helps his great grandmother outside St George's Chapel, Windsor. after the morning service yesterday. The Queen, who celebrates her 66th birthday tomorrow, was greeted by a large crowd. The Duchess of York was not at the service.

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Brown and Blair add radical edge to Smith leadership bid

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pace of change in UK

JOHN Smith has enlisted Gordon Brown and Tony Blair to add a radical edge to his bid for the Labour leadership and to counter complaints that, in picking him, the party would merely replace an unpopular leader with a popular

As Mr Smith attracts flak from within the party for appearing to have the leadership sewn up, his managers made clear that he will be campaigning hard in the next three months. Mr Brown and Mr Blair have been recruited as the "ideas men", charged by Mr Smith to lead a thorough policy review. Robin Cook, Mr Smith's

As Mr Smith spells out Labour's way forward. Sheila Gunn says it is hard to find much enthusiasm for a root-and-branch policy change

campaign manager, also dis-closed yesterday that Mr Smith will spell out his views on the party's way forward in speeches in the run-up to the election of the new leader on July 18.

They are expected to cover a deeper discussion on the party's structure and funding, a subject Mr Smith has steered clear of, as well as the better-rehearsed areas of wealth distribution and constitutional change, including Mr how we tackle the challenges our country must meet." He added: "That is why. from

Smith's commitment to devoluday one of the new Parliament, Labour must set the pace for change in Britain as we not only Mr Brown, the shadow industry advance the case for the NHS. our secretary, argued that Labour was the party of change and that the reforms started by Neil Kinnock public services and a modern policy for industry, but also address the massive challenges of the must be carried forward. He said: 1990s and beyond." "It must seize the intellectual ini-

Mr Blair said that Labour must stand up for the individual. So soon after the election defeat. it is hard to find much stomach for another root-and-branch policy change within Labour's ranks. But Mr Smith has been goaded into support for a thorough overhaul by claims from his challenger Bryan Gould that he is relying on Labour's winning power through one more heave

Given Mr Smith's popularity rating in the polls, there is a temptation within his camp to mirror the Conservatives in changing the leader without setting the party on a different course. There is talk among the contestants of revitalising the party and meeting the challenges of the 1990s, but little flesh on the

policies, while Mr Gould has said they were partly to blame for losing Labour the election.

"Our tax proposals appeared to set a cap on people's aspirations. particularly in the south of England where we need to attract support," Mr Gould said. The Smith camp released letters

of support from Labour MPs in the south and east of England. A survey in The Sunday Tele-graph found that Mr Smith had three times the support of Mr Gould among Labour MPs.

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Howard expected to cap spending of ten councils

By Douglas Broom, local government correspondent

MICHAEL Howard, the environment secretary, is ex-pected to mark his determination to curb council spending this week by capping the budgets of as many as ten local authorities which have broken government spending guidelines.

A dozen councils have set budgets above capping limits but action against them waspostponed during the election campaign. They all publicly blame the inadequacy of government spending assess-ments for their plight and none has openly defied the government for purely political reasons. Last year 14 councils were threatened with capping but six agreed to voluntary budget cuts.

Among the councils likely to have their budgets cut this year are Conservative conCouncil and the London borough of Hillingdon, won by

Labour controlled Lambeth Council in south London, which set Britain's highest community charge of E448 a head this year, will also be told to cut at least £4 million from its spending plans while Greenwich Council in southeast London faces cuts of almost £9 million.

By far the largest overspender this year is Gloucestershire County Council, run by an alliance of Labour and Liberal Democrats, which has set a budget £9.9 million above its capping limit. The council has said it would be willing to discuss a compro-mise figure with ministers. Like Warwickshire, which faces a £6.8 budget cut, Gloucestershire says that the

Body is

found in

caravan

DETECTIVES yesterday sealed off part of a housing estate in Wrexham. North

Wales, after a woman in her 40s was found dead in a caravan. The alarm was

Police found the woman in

touring caravan parked

alongside a pigeon loft in the

back garden of a semi-de-tached council house on the

huge Queen's Park Estate.

been established, but the

death is being treated as

It is understood that several

house are being interviewed

by police.

Forensic scientists have been called in and scenes of

The area has been closed to

traffic and a major incident

room was set up at Wrexham

The investigation was

being led by the head of North Wales CID. Det Chief

HALF the court reporters in

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the Institute of Shorthand

Writers who say the news has

come as a bolt out of the blue.

partment has told the dozen

or so firms of court reporters

which tender every five years

for contracts to cover the

courts that the number of courtrooms covered by what

is called computer-assisted

transcription is to be cut from

300 to 170. The remaining

courtrooms will go over to

tape-recording proceedings.

The proposals, coming into

force from April next year, when the next round of con-

The Lord Chancellor's de-

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Supt Gwyn Williams.

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suspicious.

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Greenwich	Lab	8.7		
Basildon	Lab	7.0		
Warwickshire	C	6.8		
Lambeth	Lab	4.4		
Langbaurgh on Tees	Lab	3.0		
Middlesborough	Lab	1.4		
Hillingdon	C	0.9		
Cheltenham	LDem	0.9		
Gloucester	Lab	0.2		
Harborough	noc	0.0032		

Scots TUC snubs Salmond

By KERRY GILL

A DAMAGING split in op-position demands for a multioption referendum on Scotland's future constitution appeared yesterday when the Scottish TUC's general council refused to allow the Scottish National Party leader to address its annual conference this week.

The snub was all the more embarrassing as Campbell Christie, general secretary of the congress, had already asked Alex Salmond, the SNP leader, if he would be prepared to address the conference tomorrow when it de-bates the constitution. After a meeting in Perth yesterday. the general council voted by a "substantial majority" not to have Mr Salmond, or anyone from the SNP, at the debate.

Mr Christie said the council decided that the debate should involve only people and parties who were members of the Scottish Constitu-tional Convention, the body pursuing home rule in the long term, and a referendum in the short term. Mr Salmond has said that the SNP would hold talks with other parties on a referen-

ing the convention. The split will have done the home rule campaign little good in the eyes of Ian Lang. the Scottish secretary, who can now argue that the opposition cannot agree on simple tactics, let alone a strategy for a referendum.

Mr Christie said that he would ask for an informal meeting with Mr Salmond about a referendum and try to persuade the SNP that its best tactic would be to join the convention. "We feel it would be in everyone's interest to join the constitutional convention to emphasise the unity of those in support of constitutional change." he

The congress is also expected to make a formal request to John Major and Mr Lang for a multi-option referendum. Later this week, John Smith and Bryan Gould will attend the conference to canvass support for their bids for the Labour leadership.

spending target set for it by count of its real needs. The only councils which can expect to escape the cap-ping net are Tory controlled Rushmoor, at Farnborough

> severe cash flow problem for the already hard pressed Greenwich Council, which has been capped every year since capping was introduced in 1985, says that it will dismiss 45 teachers and 185 part time nursery staff if it is forced to reduce its budget by

out until the middle of next

month which would cause a

£8.7 million to target level. Once Mr Howard formally designates the councils for capping they will have 28 days to appeal or accept the revised budget set by the environment department.

isfied that only a dozen of the 404 councils in England have defied their spending targets and officials say the trend towards compliance with government targets augurs well for the introduction of the council tax next year.



Heading for defeat: Doug McAvoy, general secretary, under pressure from delegates yesterday

'Poverty gap' hits 2m schoolchildren

By JOHN O'LEARY, EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

A RISING tide of poverty and inequality is affecting the health and performance of two million school pupils, the president of the National Union of Teachers told her union's annual conference yesterday. Poor children were going hungry, and scurvy was reappearing. Pat Hawkes said in her presidential

In the frame: animation celluloid figures of Captain Hook and Peter Pan

which are to be auctioned with others from Walt Disney films at Christie's.

South Kensington, next Monday. Some are signed by Walt Disney

are having the ground cut

"We fear it is the thin end of

the wedge which has wider

implications than the em-

ployment of court reporters,"

in their own time in the eve-

nings. Many also invested in their own stenographic ma-chines at a cost of £1.800, and

some also bought the £2,000

software to enable them to

work from home rather than

Behind the exercise is a

need to cut costs on the £9

million a year court-reporting service bill. The court report-

ers accept that not every court

needs computer-assisted

transcription but some of the courts intended to switch to

tape-recording are the busiest

in the country and take some

of the most important trials. Kim Sheldon, an experi-

stay behind in the courts.

Many of the writers trained

from under us.

Ms Pratt said.

Tape-recorders threaten court jobs

BY FRANCES GIBB, LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

tracts is awarded, have an-

gered court reporters who

underwent training so that

they could change from being

pen writers and be able to

operate the computer-assist-

ed transcription (CAT) sys-

tem now in use at 95 per cent

of court complexes around

Instead of taking notes by

hand, which are then labori-

ously transcribed, the court

reporters now use steno-

graphic machines which pro-

duce a computer disk. Within

minutes a computer can pro-

duce a print-out of the court

Patricia Pratt, secretary of

the institute, said: "We feel

quite upset about the morality

of this. Court reporters put in

a tremendous commitment

because the Lord Chancel-

lor's department more or less

said that if we wanted a job.

we were going to have to

retrain. Having done so, we

the country.

Ms Hawkes, a primary school teacher and former Labour mayor of Brighton. told the conference in Black-pool that lack of a balanced diet was affecting pupils' con-centration. "This clear 'health divide' in our pupils is

as noticeable as the starkly contrasting £100 Reeboks and designer tracksuits that some children wear to school, while their poorer classmates wear jumble sale hand-medowns and often cannot even bring PE clothes to school."

One estimate put the num-ber of children going without proper food and dressed in million. Many survived on snacks because the school meals service barely existed in

An increasing number of children also experienced the trauma of seeing their homes repossessed. Some 35,000

lot of people are worried that

after becoming highly-

trained as a shorthand writer,

they could not get another job. You can't just swap to

becoming a receptionist or a

secretary, it is completely dif-

The Lord Chancellor's de-

partment would not discuss

the proposals. In a statement

it said that its requirements "are being reviewed as part of

the tendering process for the

new contracts. Computer as-

sisted transcription (CAT)

will be retained as one of the

accepted methods of

notetaking and will be com-

pulsory in some courtrooms."

to suppliers to tender between

the various methods of

notetaking, including CAT, it said. But it added: "it is not

possible to assess the likely number of CAT notetakers to

In the rest it would be open

children were in homeless families in London alone. "How on earth can they manage to study and do the

coursework necessary for GCSE preparations?" Ms Hawkes asked. "They stand much less chance than wellhoused children of succeeding at school, passing exams. going on to further education

As Mayor of Brighton four years ago, Ms Hawkes urged Margaret Thatcher to do more for the vulnerable members of society. "This theme has haunted me as a teacher," she said. "Social conditions have worsened for so

Helen Lyons, a delegate from Coventry, told the con-ference that government poli-cies were creating an underclass and were widening the gap between schools in different areas. Those in inner cities often could not raise the money required for extra-curricular activities, and pupils in poor areas often did not have the home environment necessary for study.

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MPs' late-night sittings may end

Changes to Commons working hours are now firmly on the agenda, writes Sheila Gunn

CHANGES to MPs' working hours will be put at the top of the agenda of the new Parliament by Tony Newton, the Commons leader, with the full backing of

John Major. The changes are aimed at making the new Commons more appealing to younger MPs. particularly those with families, and bringing into future parliaments more women and those with diverse experience

Under the reforms, all-night sittings and poorly at-tended debates in the early hours are likely to become a thing of the past. Instead MPs would be given earlier warning of sitting times and holiday dates to help them juggle their parlia-mentary, constituency and outside workload with their

A quick decision this summer to modernise the working practices is likely to appeal to the 140 new MPs, who will give the new Parliament a more youthful profile, and to the 59 wo-

men MPs. The reforms, based on a report from a committee set up by Mr Major and John MacGregor, the former Commons leader, do not need changes in legislation but only alterations in standing orders. Mr Newton, the former social security secretary, and his colleagues are considering whether to include a commitment to modernising Parliament in the Queen's

speech on May 6. One senior source indicated yesterday that Mr Newton's enthusiasm for the changes was a key reason for the prime minister handing him the Commons portfolio.

The Commons gave al-most universal backing to the committee's report in a debate before the election but a final decision was left to the new Parliament. The reforms would lead

to the Commons sitting from 2.30 to 10.30pm on Monday and Tuesday; from 10.30am to 10.30pm on Wednesday; and from 2.30pm to about 7.30pm on Thursday, so that MPs with far-off constituencies can travel home; and 9.30am to 3pm on Friday. There would be a sharp re-duction in the number of Friday sittings and a streamlining of the com-plex system of special de-bates and motions.

Although Labour and Liberal Democrat business managers have welcomed the ideas, they might be less enthusiastic in the new Parliament. With the Conservative majority cut to 21, a more structured timetable would make it harder for them to stage "ambushes" to catch out sleepy Tory whips in the early

Sir Peter Emery, the Con-servative MP, chairman of the Commons procedure committee and a member of the special sittings committee, said yesterday that he had been arguing for the

changes for eight years. "It would be absurd if the government did not carry forward the recommendations of the recent commit-tee report. These have received all but universal acceptance in Parliament, he said.

Charge made over dead boy

A SINGLE, jobless man will appear before Plymouth magistrates today charged with the murder of four-yearold Matthew Robinson in at boy's Plymouth home last week. An application to remand James Stuart Cochrane, 25, in custody will be made to Plymouth magistrates today. He was arrested in Plymouth yesterday by detectives investigating the killing of the boy, who had also been subjected to a serious sexual attack

The arrest follows an investigation in which 60 officers have been tracing everyone who had lodged at the boarding house where the boy lived. His parents, Alan, 63, and Christine, 39, rent out five rooms in the large Victorian terraced house. Matthew's body was found last Wednesday by his brother Jason, 9.

Cowes officials disciplined

Leading officials of last year's Cowes power-boat race have been disciplined for allowing the event to continue in dense fog. The Royal Yachting Association removed Terry Herring, from Surrey, the officer of the day, and Alex Foster, from London, the safety coordinator, from the list of people approved to act as officer of the day, safety officer or observer.

The race became chaotic. when the competitors hit a fogbank. One boat hit an oil tanker and one hit a cabin cruiser, injuring two men.

Moving event for party-goers

An illegal all-night party

planned on Hungerford Common, Berkshire, to which more than 3,000 people turned up, was thwart-ed by police early yesterday.

A convoy of 700 cars was harried by Thames Valley and Hampshire police after they were called to Chieveley. service station on the M4: Most of the would-be party-goers spent the night driving around Berkshire and Hampshire searching for an alternative party and were still blocking roads at dawn because there were so many . .

Parade protest

Relatives of some of the five Roman Catholics killed in a Loyalist machine gun attack on a south Belfast bening shop in February will stage a protest demonstration this morning when members of the Protestant Apprentice Boys order parade past the scene of the massacre. Police have rejected appeals to reroute the parade by locals who fear trouble and taunts from hangers-on.

Woman shot

About 30 armed police surrounded a house after a woman was blasted with a shotgun last night. She is in hospital, but not thought to be seriously hurt. Police cor-doned off the area around the house at Darlington, Co Dur-ham. Police said that they believed an armed man was still inside the house and that a woman was with him.

Search resumes

A mother yesterday resumed her search for her son who vanished in Canada three years ago. Charles Horvath. 20, was last seen in Kelowna. British Columbia, while on a back-packing holiday. Denise Alian, 42, of Sowerby, West Yorkshire, has spent £20,000 trying to find him. She is seeking the author of a letter telling her that her son was murdered and dumped in a

Rotor death

An investigation began yes-terday after an offshore oil worker was decapitated by a helicopter rotor blade. Ellard Zuidema. 29, a Dutchman. died as the main rotor of the Sikorski S76 spun at head height on a North Sea plat-

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Shops see

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THERE are clear signs that the worst of the recession is over, leading retailers said

yesterday. They were reacting

to news of a survey of 8.810 businesses, to be published on Wednesday, which will say that signs of a recovery are strengthening (Nicholas).

Watt writes). Geoffrey Maidand Smith,

chairman of Sears, which controls Selfridges, said:

The indications are that we

have reached the end, or are

nearing the end, although

there is still a feeling of reti-

cence. Growth will not be

sustained until people feel confident in their environ-

ment, so we ought to be care-

The note of caution was

echoed by Nigel Whittaker, chairman of the Confedera-

tion of British Industry's dis-

tributive trades survey. He said: "Since last July we have

seen that things are gradually

getting better. But we need to

be rather more cautious than

some press reports and we

will have to wait until May to

find out about how things

Tesco was more upbeat

about the recovery. "We have

noticed a change for the bet-

ter which started from Christ-

mas onwards," a spokesman said. "We feel that there are

signs that the country is com-

ing out of recession and we

have gone in April."

ful and cautious."

Four men sought after party fire deaths

BY RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

by detectives investigating the deaths of five people in an alleged arson attack on

The four men left the house, where they had been attending a party, just before the blaze swept through the building in Hove, east Sussex, in the early hours of

Saturday morning.
Police and forensic scientists are treating the deaths as murder. They believe that the blaze was started deliberately in a settee on a first-floor

The flames leapt through the landings and into the third-floor flat where the party, which was attended by a number of homosexuals, was

Woman on terrorism act charge

BY RICHARD FORD HOME CORRESPONDENT

A WOMAN will appear in court today charged under the Prevention of Terrorism Act after being held by police investigating the killing of a

recruiting sergeant in Derby.
The woman, who Derbyshire police have not named, was detained within hours of the shooting of Sgt Michael Newman, who died 17 hours after he was shot at a week ago. The Irish National Liberation Army admitted the

Derbyshire police said yesterday that the woman had been charged under the Prevention of Terrorism Act and the Criminal Law Act. The woman is believed to live in Derby and is understood to be in her early twenties, of Irish origin but claiming dual

nationality.

Joseph Magee, 26, originally from Armagh city and Declan Duffy, 19, and Anthony Gorman, both from Belfast, are being sought by police in connection with the

A man and a woman arrested in Saltby. Leicester-shire, on Friday in an operation believed to be linked to the hunt for the sergeant's killers have been released

without charge. In Guernsey, a 22-year-old kitchen assistant appeared in court on Saturday charged with wasting police time in connection with the hunt for

Sgt Newman's killers. Catherine Elizabeth Ogle, of Le Chene hotel, Forest, Guernsey, appeared before a special sitting of Guernsey magistrates court and was remanded in custody until tomorrow. She is charged with wasting police time by telling officers Mr Magee and Mr Duffy were at the Le

FOUR men are being sought being held to celebrate a trainee chef's 28th birthday.

Det Supt Michael Bennison, who is leading a team of 75 police officers investigating the fire, said: "The suggestion is that the fire was started deliberately. Up to seven people, three of them young Frenchmen, are believed to have been at the party but have not yet come

He added that it was not thought to have been a predominantly homosexual party, although homosexuals had attended. He said that he did not believe that there was an anti- homosexual motive to the blaze.

Only one of the dead people has so far been identified. Timothy Sharpe, 28, a trainee chef who was the host at his birthday party, died when he tried to jump to safety from a window of the third-floor flat.

Two other men were overcome by smoke in the flat and died there. A woman in her fifties and another man died after they leapt 65 feet from the windows of the flat.

Police in Sussex have called in medical examiners in an attempt to identify the charred remains of one of the victims of the fire.

Yesterday Damien Barber from London told how he had survived the biaze by clambering 40 feet down a drain-pipe. Mr Barber, 20, an unemployed man, said he was the last of six people to come out of the building alive after battling through choking smoke and climbing down a drainpipe to safety.

He was sitting in the living room when somebody shout ed "fire". He said: "At first I thought they were joking but the next thing there was smoke everywhere.

"We tried to go down the stairs but were blinded by clouds of thick black smoke, so we ran over to the window and started screaming for help. I felt the intense hear from behind which burned the back of my ear. There were five or six people who started scrambling down the drainpipe and I was the last

Thirteen people were taken to hospital after the blaze but most of them were later allowed home after treatment. One man who had suffered severe burns was taken to the specialist unit at the Queen Victoria hospital, East

Grinstead. Three other people were trapped in the attic above the blaze and had to crawl to

Lee Wells, 26, and his girl friend Lisa Anderson, 23, crawled out of the attic window clutching three-year-old Shanie, climbed on to a balcony and edged their way to an adjoning roof, where they waited for more than two hours until firemen were able



Built for two: members of the Veteran Cycle Club taking an Easter turn round Battersea Park in London yesterday

Concert tribute will be holiday highlight

BY NICHOLAS WATT

THE huge open air concert in memory of Freddie Mercury at Wembley Stadium and the Irish Grand National at Fairyhouse are among the highlights of today's bank

The stars appearing at Wembley include Elton John, Bob Geldof, David Bowie and the remaining members of Queen. The group U2 will perform live by satellite from

California. Mercury died of Aids-related diseases last November and the proceeds from the concert will go to Aids research. The actress Elizabeth Taylor, who has led showbusiness fund raising for Aids charities in America, will also be at the concert.

All 72,000 tickets ahve been sold and up to a billion people in 73 countries are expected to watch the concert live on television. BBC 2's coverage starts at 5.55 pm.

In the Irish Grand National, Peter Scudamore hopes to make it a double on Captain Dibble after his Scottish Grand National success. Manchester United hope to move closer to the football league title for the first time in 25 years when they face Nottingham Forest at home. Leeds, who are just two points behind in Division One, play

Coventry at home. There are five model railway layouts for children to

bition at the RHS halls at Greycoat Street and Vincent Square in London. Beatrix Potter buffs can follow a Peter Rabbit trail round London Zoo, with a Lake District holiday as the top prize. Peter Rabbit will be roaming

around the zoo. At Blackheath there is a kite festival, with parachuting teddy bears making an appearance. At noon there is a parade of working horses at hunt with small prizes.

Regent's Park Inner Circle.

Outside London there are performances of medieval England stories for six- to 12year-olds at Goodrich Castle near Ross-on-Wye in Herefordshire. The Wild Fowl and Wetlands Trust at Arundel. West Sussex, is the place to be for anyone addicted to Easter eggs even after yesterday's glut. The trust is running a question and answer egg

have found that people are beginning to spend more money. This Easter is an important time because we hope that an improvement will carry on until Christmas." The upturn has not been

felt by Conran. A spokesman said: "Our business has not picked up in the last few months. Trade has been reasonable over the Easter period but that has been in line with the pattern over the last three months."

Woolworth said: "There has certainly been a post-election euphoria but it is too soon to say whether we are optimistic about sales.'

Sainsbury said that sales had increased in some areas. "Sales of our chilled receipes have increased as people treat themselves at home rather than eat out in restaurants. We are finding that people are still looking for bargains, but it is too early to pinpoint a

Hooligans kicked into touch

BY ROBIN YOUNG

FOOTBALL hooligans were caught in a scrum at the weekend when they mistook a squad of burly rugby players for rival soccer supporters.

During the battle two fans fled in a police car, whose keys had been left in the ignition by a police constable helping colleagues to separate the fighters. After a few hundred yards, the car turned into a blind alley and crashed into a bollard.

The Colchester United folone to climb out onto it". lowers had been in the Market Tavern in Colchester, Essex, on Saturday night celebrating their side's 2-0 victory over their promotion rivals, Telford, in the Vauxhail Conference League. They saw what they thought was a coachload of Telford supporters and started hurling abuse. The other group were members and support-

ers of a Sussex rugby side. Their taunts caused several running battles involving about 80 youths in Colches-

ter High Street. Seven Colchester fans were arrested. A police spokesman said: "One group fled in the police car when they realised the rugby boys were bigger

GENETIC engineering, by

for the Edinburgh International Science Festival, will be discussed at a conference on the last day of the festival on April 25.

The survey also showed that only 5 per cent of respondents did not correctly understand the risks of having a child with a genetic illness.

When told: "A doctor tells a couple that their genetic make-up means they have a one in four chance of having a child with an inherited illness", 77 per cent said, correctly, that each child was equally likely to suffer the illness. Five per cent said that, if the couple had only three children, they would all be

search Resources, questioned 800 people on health issues. Nearly three quarters of respondents lived in Scotland.

Genetic engineering wins poll votes

which scientists try to treat inherited diseases by giving Fifty-four per cent, mainly from Edinburgh, the Borders and the south of England, said that they would be prepatients healthy copies of flawed genes, has won the support of 89 per cent of people questioned in a survey. pared to pay. Only 5 per cent opposed it.

The results of the survey, In spite of contradictory scientific research, about a

third of those questioned said that eating foods with lots of additives had proven to cause heart disease. A similar number said that eating too little fibre had been proven to

cause heart disease.

IN THE WORLD OF BIG BUSINESS,

The survey, by Scotinform, Quantic Computers and Re-

Nearly 90 per cent of those

questioned said that blood ests, such as those for high cholesterol levels and conditions that might be avoided by changing lifestyle or diet. should be available free on More than 90 per cent said that smoking had been scienthe National Health Service. tifically proven to cause heart illness, closely followed by stress, lack of excercise, eating lots of animal fats and inherited genes. Nearly 30 per cent believed a lack of vitamins had been scientifi-

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cally shown to cause heart Asked their personal views on the most serious cause of heart disease only 47 per cent

said smoking, 23 per cent

being spent by the NHS on preventing illness. Over 40 per cent of those questioned and more than half of Scots thought the healthiest place to live was southern England.

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Among respondents 67 per cent believed too little was

to carry them to safety. Gardens greet first gazers of spring

Country gardens opened yesterday for what they hope will be another lucrative season, writes Alan Hamilton

EASTER is late, but everything else was on time in the gardens of Parham, the Elizabethan country house near Pulborough, West Sussex,

yesterday.

Daffodils, tulips and fritillaries were in full bloom, the chestnuts were well advanced, chiff-chaff and willow warbler flirted in the orchard, the South Downs gliding club filled the skies, the village cricket team was playing its first match of the season on a baimy afternoon - and the year's first garden-gazers arrived by the hundred.

English gardens, especially those such as Parham with a strong herbaceous element, have not achieved their full glory by mid-April. but nothing can stop the amateur gardener from turning out to inspect and compare the work of the professional. Parham is dominated by its magnificent sacred grove of mount fuji white flowering cherry, a variety with an expected life span of 25 years but still blossoming vigorously after

more than 50. An American visitor was admiring the Wordsworth-



Looking for tips: visitors at Parham yesterday

ian host of daffodils, saying that she had never seen such a massed display. The frosts have been relatively kind this year. Enthusiasts from nearer home noted how the burgeoning chestnuts were more advanced than those in their own gardens, and relished the informality of the 11 acres of walled garden and pleasure grounds, even though at this time of year they display more foliage than flower.

Parham had a 36 per cent increase in visitors last year. in line with other historic houses with interesting gardens to offer, and well ahead of those without, according to a report last week by the Historic Houses Association. Business at Parham was helped by its being named Garden of the Year in 1990, and by the creation

of a highly popular brickand-turf maze last year. Such publicity windfalls

aside, gardens are enjoying a measurable resurgence of interest, according to Pat Kennedy, administrator of Parham. "People have been taking more days out and fewer holidays abroad during the recession," she said.
"They are doing up their homes and their gardens. A garden, unlike a stately home, is something you can design and create yourself. You can come here and pick

up ideas." Although the house is sixteenth century, the gardens are largely the work of the Pearson family, members of the publishing dynasty, who bought Parham in 1922 and saved it from creeping decay. Their daughter, Veronica Tritton, 75, who lives in

part of the house, ensures that every room is furnished with a fresh floral display

from the garden.
Ray Gibbs, her head gardener, initiated a garden shop yesterday, which within minutes was flooded with demand for pot and bedding plants. Last year, he and his staff had to give up working in the walled garden on open days because they were besieged by visitors seeking green-fingered

This year, according to Mr Gibbs, the garden is looking particularly promising, "I lose more through wind than frost, in spite of being sheltered by the South Downs. But we have had another mild winter and a good spring. The only damage appears to be a few frosted magnolia blooms."

He is developing the her-baceous borders, planting an old rose garden and creating a pottager - a French-style formal vegetable garden with small symmetrical plots bounded by miniature box hedges.

He is also searching for a rarity. Recent research in the Parham family archives has disclosed that an unusual variety of apple, golden crispin, was first bred in the gardens there, and he would like to re-establish it. So far not even the Worshipful Company of Fruiterers has been able to find one. If any passing garden-gazers know of a source, Mr Gibbs would

be glad to hear from them.

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The family of murdered tourist Julie Stott seek to grieve in peace as New Orleans man is charged with her killing

Parents bring body home

BY PETER VICTOR

THE body of murdered tour-ist Julie Stott, 27, who was shot by a mugger in New Orleans, was flown home yes-terday. On the flight to Manchester from Chicago were her parents. Raymond and Margaret Stott, and her boy friend Peter Ellis.

They were escorted by officials and police through customs and an airport side entrance to avoid reporters and photographers. Hours earlier, Robert Jones, 19, also known as "Peanut", appeared in court charged with first degree murder.

Three other youths were charged with being accessories to the killing last Tuesday. They are Donald Oliver. 18, who was at the same ddress as Jones, Christopher Bordere, 19, who was arrested at home, and Pernell Harris, 19, who gave himself up to police when he



Robert Jones, centre, with Donald Oliver, left, and Christopher Bordere after their arrest for the murder of Julie Stott, above

learned that he was being tives in New Orleans. He was be generous to describe the sought by them.

Mr Jones, described by police as a career criminal, was arrested on Saturday by detectives at the home of rela-

gravated rape, armed rob-bery, kidnapping and

also charged with a previous area he lived in as deprived.

By contrast, Miss Stott By contrast, Miss Stott lived in an up-market dev-elopment in the Monton area

matically recorded.

police regard it as a quiet, well-to-do part of their beat. One officer said that he had considered moving into the

great crime rate there," a police spokesman said. "No one can recall anything like a shooting there, although some parts of Manchester are

Tale of contrasting lives in two cities

The lifestyles of Julie Stott and the man accused of her murder were worlds apart, Peter Victor and Jamie Dettmer report

Jent prospects, a happy family life, an attractive home and a sporty Peugeot 205 GTl. Like many of her generation, she had started from reasonably comfortable beginnings and worked her

way up. Her relatives had been expecting her to announce her engagement to Peter Ellis, her boy friend for the past nine years, on their return from New Orleans. Mr Ellis, a computer analyst with BP, had been working in New Zealand and Miss Stott met nim for a three-week holiday

Marriage would have been the icing on the cake for Miss Stott. She was an exceptional voman, according to her colwoman, according to her col-leagues, and an exceptional pupil at school. She took A levels in mathematics, art and English at Hollins High School in Middleton, Great-er Manchester, where her parents live. The headmas-ter who taught methematparents live. The headmas-ter, who taught mathemat-ics, said that she was the best pupil in the subject in the school. On leaving, she took a foundation course in surface design and textiles before

going to college.

She graduated in textile and design management from Manchester University Institute of Science and Technology, which she left six years ago to join Sundour Fabrics, a Courtanks subsidiary, where she became design and development manager. Peter Robinson, the firm's chief executive, said she was exceptionally gifted, highly respected and had a promising future.

"She was excellent with going to college. .

"She was excellent with people and would sometimes work through the day and night, even at weekends, without batting an eyelid," he said. "Nothing was too much trouble. She will be sorely missed."

As well as devoting her working time to Sundour, she spent much of her social life with her colleagues. Trips to the cinema, evenings out to the cinema, evenings out for meals or the occasional disco prompted one colleague to describe her as exceptional: "She was very lively, but sensitive. She didn't go over the top."

Deborah's three children, aged seven, five and two, vis-iting them at the farm where they lived. Although she had moved into a second floor flat in a new development at Monton Mill Gardens, Ec-cles, the neighbours rarely

cessful career with exceladministrator, and his wife Margaret, 55, a teaching assistant, were yesterday at the semi-detached family home in Middleton, where Julie was brought up. Mr Stott said: "We've just returned home and we're not in any fit state to make statements. We would ask to be left alone to grieve in peace."

> Robert Jones's start to life was an all too familiar one in the inner-city black areas of America. He grew up on the Desire housing estate, one of the most rundown and deprived in New Orleans. His mother had 11 children. He has two young children and has never held down a job in an area of high

when he was young he dropped out of high school, and led a casual, purposeless, petty criminal life. In spite of often promising to change his behaviour, he seemed not to have the inner resources to reform himself. resources to reform himself.

His stepfather. Joseph Witherspoon, said that his stepson had often been in trouble with the police. But trouble with the police. But he expressed surprise that he could be on a murder charge. "Robert a killer? That's a hard pill to swal-low." Later, he said: "I ain't saying he didn't. Who knows what kids today do when they're in the streets." they're in the streets."

According to detectives, Mr Jones had been on a twoweek crime spree before the murder of Miss Stott. Early on Saturday he was charged with several other serious offences as well as the murier.

After he was arrested for the murder of Miss Stott, a woman aged 24 identified Mr Jones from photographs as the man who kidnapped her on April 6 from the French quarter and raped her on the Desire housing estate. In that incident, three people walking together uses people walking together were challenged and initially told to hand over money.

Relatives of Mr Jones said yesterday that about a dozen policemen converged on their ramshackle townhouse police found a sawn-off shotgun and several bullets. A police source said the bullets are believed to be the same calibre as the handgun used to kill Miss Stott. Police said they believed Mr Jones needed money to buy drugs.

Black crime crisis

WHILE black crime poses huge problems in New Orleans, the city lags behind Washington DC, which is still the American murder capital (Jamie Dettmer writes).

The extent of the break-down in law and order in Washington was underlined at the weekend by new figures suggesting that 42 per cent of black men aged between 18 and 35 are "enmeshed" in the criminal justice system on

any given day.
The National Centre on Institutions and Alternatives, a highly respected organis-ation, found that 21 per cent of young black men were on probation or parole, 15 per

cent were in jail and six per cent were being sought by the police. It said that up to 70 per cent of black men in the city are arrested by the time they are 35, and 85 per cent of all black men are arrested

at some time in their lives. Jerome Miller, president of the National Centre on Institutions, says America is "criminalising people we should be treating in other ways". Washington's mayor, Sharon Pratt Kelly, said she questioned the findings. She said: "There are 100 many successful, well-adjusted young people — young black men in this city — for me to believe these figures."

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win both adjourned games, he will move into a 3-2 lead.

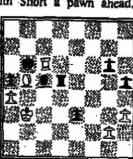
The moves in Game 5, in which Karpov had the white

Short keeps up the pressure on Karpov

By RAYMOND KEENE CHESS CORRESPONDENT

NIGEL Short of Britain is exerting great pressure on Anatoly Karpov, the Russian former world champion, in their World Championship semi-final in Linares, Spain.

After a slow start in which he lost the first game, Short has repeatedly gained the advantage. He has now adjourned Games 4 and 5, and in each case he is searching for victors. Game 5 for victory. Game 5 was adjourned after 61 moves with Short a pawn ahead,



Game 5 at adjournment

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paid by authorities By Richard Ford, home correspondent A SERIES of death threats against police officers and intimidation of their families is leading to increased de-

> to pay for moving them to The Police Federation will be urged at its annual conference next month to back a proposal that each police authority should meet the cost of moving and rehousing an of-ficer and his or her family forced to leave their home because of intimidation and local hostility.

> mands for police authorities

Geoff Williams, the chairman of the West Mercia police federation, wants police authorities in England and Wales to adopt a system similar to that which operates in Northern Ireland. The police authority there meets the costs of moving and rehousing Royal Ulster Constabulary officers who leave their homes because of republican and unionist paramilitary intimidation.

Death-threat police

want removal bills

The demand by Mr Williams for action by police leaders follows death threats

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Three conceive by new tube method

By NIGEL HAWKES, SCIENCE EDITOR

THREE women in Notting-ham are expecting babies nique introduced into Britain last year.
The subzonal insemination

or "Suzi" method is a form of test tube fertilisation used when the husband's sperm is unable to penetrate the barrier surrounding the egg. The healthiest sperm is selected and injected into the egg. increasing the chances of suc-

cessful fertilisation.

The technique was pioneered by Dr Simon Fishel, clinical director of Nurture, an infertility unit set up at Nottingham University. He does panacea for infertility problems and warns that it has a low success rate. The method is offered only to couples where conventional in vitro fertilisation has failed.

Dr Fishel, former deputy scientific director of the world's first test tube baby clinic at Bourn Hall, Cambridgeshire, works with his wife Judy at Nurture. She said: "Simon wanted to offer couples Suzi years ago but to four officers after last year's shooting by a police marksman of a man wielding an unloaded air pistol at Telford, Shropshire. Ian Gordon, a mentally dis-

turbed man, was shot when officers feared that he was about to fire on them.

His death provoked two nights of disturbances and led to four officers involved in the case receiving death threats. The marksman who shot Mr Gordon had to be moved to another police division 50 miles away.

Mr Williams said that some people had wanted to "take our" a police officer in revenge for the death of Mr Gordon, 24, who was shot near Wellington railway sta-tion, Shropshire, last August. Another officer who was well known locally had to be given round the clock protection for eight weeks, he added. Mr Williams said that the

officer, who had to move to another division, had been rehoused in police property until his own home could be "I got information on the

injection, he was given the go-ahead. This scheme repre-sents a new era in reproductive medicine and helps Northern Ireland schemes certain sectors who before and asked the police author-ity if they could buy the offi-The method can help cer's house. But they said where it is the husband's there was nothing in regula-tions that enabled them to sperm that prevents normal conception. About one in ten couples has fertility problems buy the house under such circumstances." and male infertility accounts He added: "This type of

problem will increase. It is In the technique, the essential we have something sperm are injected using a available so that an officer can be rehoused as a matter than a human hair, while the egg is held by suction on the of urgency should the situa-tion arise." Some off-duty policemen and their families on Tyne-

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Feel for art: "thermoform" paintings restore lost pleasure to blind people

Paintings by touch bring art to blind

By SIMON TAIT

"FEELY paintings" is the latest attempt by the Royal Academy of Arts to make itself accessible to the handicapped. Ten works from its permanent collec-tion, including paintings by Constable and Reynolds. have been copied in relief "thermoforms" for the blind and visually impaired in a scheme launched yesterday by the Living Paintings Trust in the academy's new Sackler Galleries.

Carolyn James went blind as a teenager. She said: "I thought I had seen my last painting. To find I could come back to appreciating art was a very emo-tional discovery for me. I

cried when I first tried it." The thermoform, a plastic moulding taken from a sculptor's representation of the painting is accompa-nied by a Braille caption and a tape description to create an album. The E12,000 scheme has been funded by the Vision chari-ty and 200 albums have been made to lend to the trust's 1,000 members. The

scheme was launched three years ago with thermoforms taken from the Tate Gallery collections and it won a National Art Collections Fund award two years ago. Since then the moulds and commentaries have been refined and children's books are

over Scots estate attacked By KERRY GILL

ONE of Scotland's leading conservationists expressed his dismay vesterday at the continuing failure to settle the future of one of the most

Dithering

scenic Highland estates. Kenny Taylor, of the Scottish Wildlife Trust, urged the Scottish conservation, move-ment to speed up its efforts to ensure that the 77,000-acre Mar Lodge estate on Royal Desside is bought for the nation. The estate, owned by the American media tycoon John Kluge, one of the world's richest men, has been on the market for more than a year with an estimated value

Such was the environmental interest in the land, next to the royal estate at Balmoral, that Mr Kluge was persuaded by the Prince of Wales to lower the price to £10 million and to give conservation bodies first option. A consortium involving the World Wide Fund for Nature, the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds and the Chris Brasher Trust was formed and pledged to raise £5 million if that figure could be matched by another source.

Last May a move to secure Scottish Office cash failed. Then discussions with the Crown Estate Commissioners fell through. Now the consortium is waiting to hear from the National Heritage Memorial Fund. Dr Taylor said that the longer the uncertainty lingered, the greater danger there was that the estate would be bought by someone else. "I am frustrated because it is really such an amazing opportunity. With not have to advertise because there are so few people in the world able to buy."

He agreed that the market for such estates had been depressed, but said that the economic climate could change quickly and that potential buyers could appear. Dr Taylor added: "I do not know why the National Heritage Memorial Fund are taking so long to decide."

Tour insurance 'won't cover disasters'

TRAVEL insurance offered by most tour companies falls short of the basic minimum needed, the Consumers' Associ-ation says today. Only four out of 32 companies had insurance deals which the association rated adequate.

"Insurance sold through tour operators' brochures is a convenient way to buy peace of mind but it could leave you unprotected if disaster strikes," the asso-

It criticised tour operators' brochures for describing just the "bare basics" of

policies. Patricia Yates, editor of the CA's Holiday Which? magazine, said: "They leave out the kind of small print which can sink a claim if disaster strikes on your holiday."

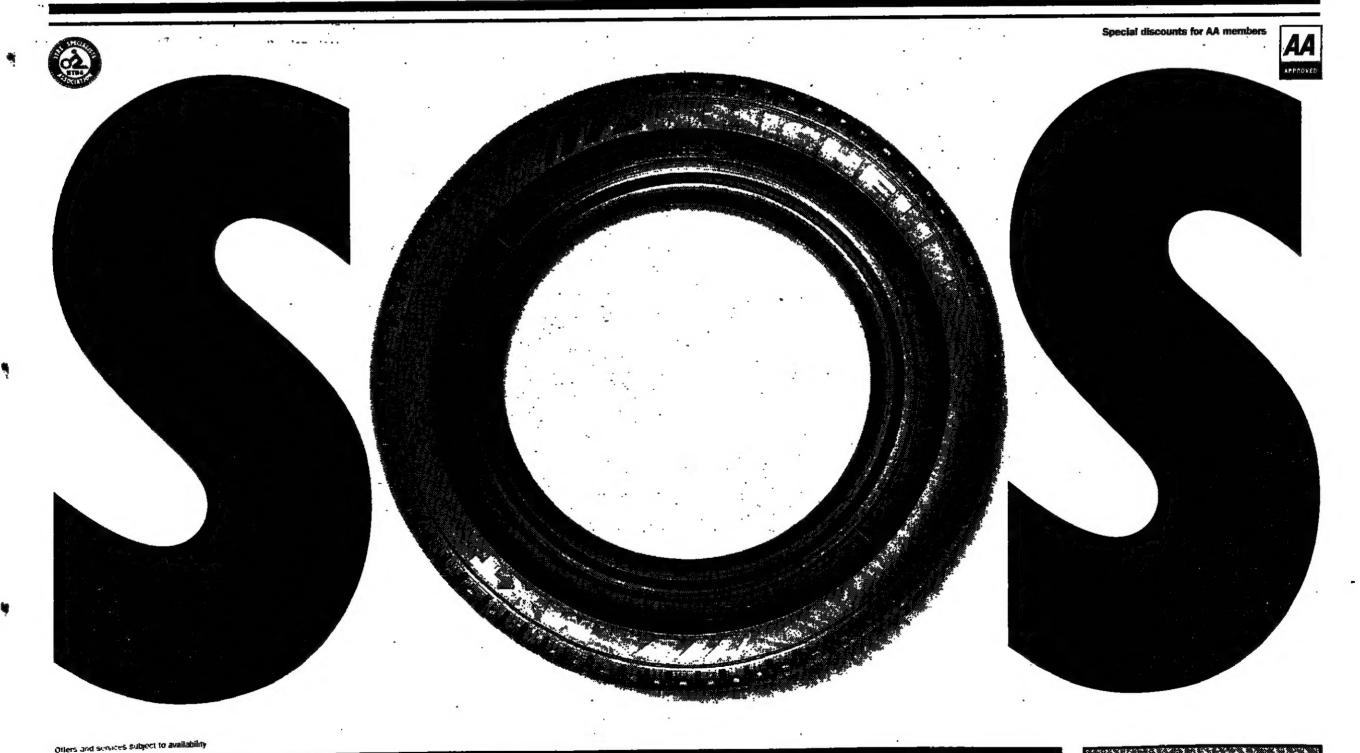
The Association of British Travel Agents said that the CA was being alarmist. Keith Betton, a spokesman, said: "The CA is setting a standard which would be far too high and unnec-

essary for the average traveller."

The CA said inadequate policies sold by tour companies included baggage insurance as low as £750 and documents cover as low as £200, both half the minimum levels recommended by Holiday Which?

Mr Betton said there were "very, very few" personal liability claims in the region of £500,000, while "very few people" would take more than £750 worth of clothing on holiday.

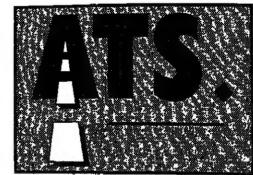
The four companies which the Consumers' Association considered adequate are Portland, Scandinavian Seaways, Thomson and Travel Club.











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Mrs Prier, of Matfield,

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fallen while trying to cross the river after her friend, John

Tucker, 37, of Burwash, East

Sussex, had done so. Mr Tucker lost sight of her when

he climbed down a bank to

free the sheep. He retraced their steps and discovered the

A couple were rescued from the river Conwy in Gwynedd early yesterday after their dinghy capsized. Murray and Jennifer Taylor, of Caerwys.

Clwyd, were taken to hospital suffering from exposure.

Lockerbie's

lessons learnt

A blueprint for dealing with

emergencies, drawn up by Dumfries and Galloway council after the Lockerbie disaster, is being distributed to local authorities, police and

It lays down a manage-ment structure aimed at re-sponding quickly to a crisis, minimising communication

problems and simplifying co-ordination between official

and voluntary agencies.

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EC rules and British bureaucracy blamed for milk shortage while farmers pour surplus down the drain

Milk muddle puts cheese farms in peril

By MICHAEL HORNSBY, AGRICULTURE CORRESPONDENT

ONE of Britain's biggest in-dependent makers of farmhouse cheeses is being forced to run at a third of capacity and fears that he could lose many customers because of a milk shortage. But there is plenty in the European Community and some farmers are forced to pour it away when they exceed production

John Clothier, whose Wyke Farmhouse Cheese Company makes pungent cheddar near Bruton in Somerset, blames the Mad Hatter logic of the ECs common agricul-tural policy (CAP) and the ponderous bureaucracy of the Milk Marketing Board. which controls the purchase and sale of milk.

"If the grief was spread evenly across all dairy manufacturers, it would not be so bad," he said. "The board takes milk away mainly from cheese-makers when supplies are short. It is suicidal." One of the consequences of the milk shortage is that Britain, the home of cheddar cheesemaking since the twelfth century, runs a £150 million deficit on trade in the product, importing five times as much from its EC partners as

This goes back to 1984 when the EC. desperate to shrink its butter and skimmed milk powder mountains, opted for an overall limit on milk output rather than drastically pruning the heavily subsidised prices. Since 1984 the quota has been cut by 18 per cent.

further squeezing Britain.
'The view in Brussels is that the EC is one market and the shortfall here can be made up with dairy products from other countries," Mr Clothier said. "That would be fine if other EC countries made the sort of extra-mature cheddar I supply. But the stuff we import from Germany tastes like the bottom of my boot."

In 1990 and 1991, Mr Clothier spent £1.5 million equipping his plant with the latest technology capable of turning 8,000 gallons of milk into 3.5 tonnes of cheese every hour. Because of the dearth of milk the factory is running for less than three hours a day instead of the normal eight.

Mr Clothier says that he discussed his expansion plans with the board and was assured he would be able to get all the milk he needed under a new, market-related pricing system to be intro-duced in 1991. But the board proposed the change to Brussels only earlier this year and

is still awaiting approval.
"I have good demand for my cheese and I would be prepared to pay up to 25 per cent more for milk than the board normally charges. Yet I still can't get the board to give me the supplies I need at any price," he said. Deliveries from the 90

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Dairy made: John Clothier sampling the produce of his cheese farm at Wyke Champflower, Somerset

farms in the Mendip Hills from which Mr Clothier gets most of his milk have been cut and the board is even witholding part of the output

from the dairy's own herd of 1,300 Friesians. Milk pro-duction from the herd cannot be increased because of the

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Mr Clothier, who believes the system is propping up inefficient farmers in other countries, expects little help

being discussed in Brussels, which would cut the milk quota still further. He would like all quotas and price pro-

Diet fad

EASTER eggs, chocolate

Mary Evanf Young. who has expanded her management stress counselling work-shops to cover dieting, said." I know women who are size 12 and can pinch only a centimetre of fat around their waist, yet are convinced they

ican example and to rebel against a lifetime submission to food fads and diets.

cause a lot of stress and they don't work." She is holding two diet workshops in

Bigger is better L&T section, page 4

takes a

bunnies and marzipan laden simnel cakes should be enjoyed over the next few days without fear of piling on the pounds, according to a new campaign aimed at convincing women that dieting is a

nasty word.
Closely following the example of American women who have launched a craze for smashing weighing scales, women in Britain are attack-ing the "thin is good" mess-age promoted by fashion magazines, television pro-trammes and clothes shows grammes and clothes shops.

She found that many of the women that she spoke to at workshops were addicted to dieting and were unhappy as a result. She said: "The fad has become so bad that nobody asks why you are on a diet, they just accept it is a normal part of a woman's lifestyle."

She is urging women to take stock, to follow the Amer-

"The diet industry is a con," Ms Young said. "Diets make you miserable, they London in May and June.

pounding

BY RAY CLANCY

Bomb scare Twelve families were evacuated near an army recruitment office in King's Lynn, Nor-folk, while police carried out controlled explosions on a stolen car parked outside.

The car, which was found to be safe, is thought to have been abandoned by joyriders. Body pair freed

Two women arrested after a body was exhumed in Bradford, West Yorkshire, have been freed by police. The body of Mohammed Azam, 47, was exhumed last week after police received informa-tion alleging that he had been poisoned.

Police claim

Eric Evans, 57, of Old Colwyn, Clwyd, former deputy chief constable of North Waies, has lodged a claim for constructive dismissal, alleging that he was forced to quit. A hearing has been fixed for next month.

Monk fish

A 500-year-old fish has been found by archaeologists exca-vating the kitchen area at Mount Grace Priory, a fourteenth century Carthusian monastery near Northaller-ton, North Yorkshire.

Bond winners

Winners in the weekly National Savings Premium Bonds prize draw: £100,000, bond number 11WL 526882, from Leicester, value of holding £750. £50,000, 14KS 412738, Inverness £322). £25,000, 13LB 703710, Southampton, £185).

Hundreds to race over sea and hills

THE Isle of Jura Scottish peaks race, one of the most exhausting ways of spend-ing a weekend, involving sailing and fell running, has attracted a record entry

Boats ranging from fast multi-hulls to big sail training craft will set off from Oban Bay on the west coast of Scotland next month in the race which takes in the isles of Mull, Jura and Arran before the finish at Troon on the Ayrshire

To put the teams in the right mood before the start, the runners from each vessel are sent on a six-mile dash. They are then rowed out to their yachts and the gruelling race begins. It lasts from noon on Friday, May 15, until some time on the Sunday, or even the Monday if boats become lost in the notoriously

changeable weather. Vessels are not allowed to use engines and can be delayed by conditions ranging from flat calm to storms.

Each team comprising three yachtsmen and two fell runners, sails more than 160 miles, climbs a total of more than 11,000 feet and runs the equivalent of three marathons. Peaks to be conquered include Ben More on Mull.

the Paps of Jura and Goat

are two police teams, a group of doctors, an all-female group and, in the youth category, entries from the RAF, Dartmouth naval college and various schools. For the "Everest Doc-

Fell on Arran. While the

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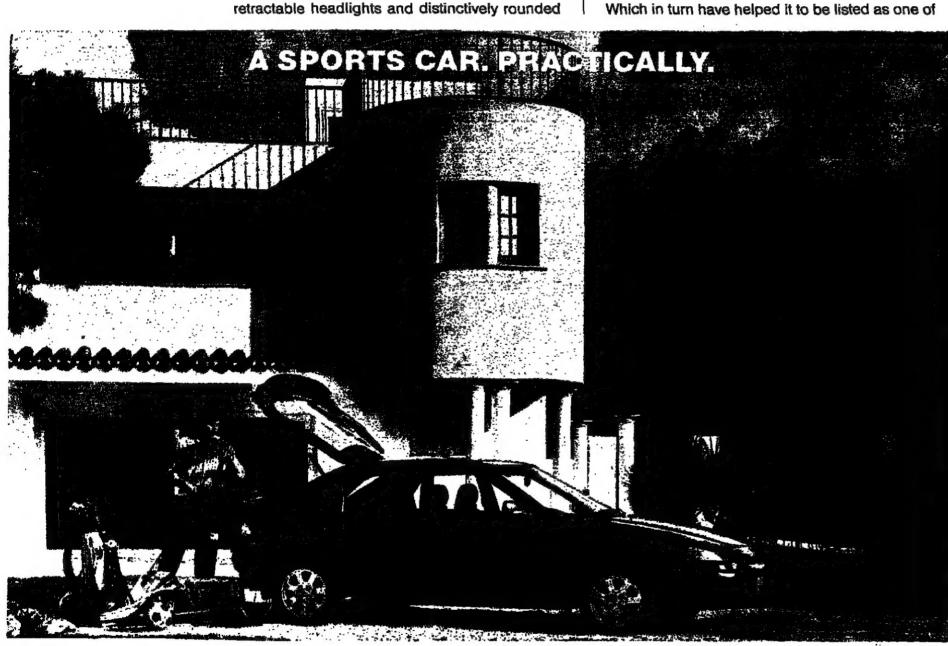
climbs, the sailors have to contend with some of the most difficult waters on the

Entrants come from a

broad range of back-grounds. This year there

tors" team the race will provide an important training mountaineering trip to the Himalayas in 1994. One member of the team has decided to speed things up by paragliding from the top of Goat Fell instead of running down.

Curly Mills, organiser, said that ten years after the first race, which had only eight entries, there was still the same sense of enjoyment despite the huge growth in interest. "While the introduction of classes means that there are a number of boats which are competing for first place in their class, the challenge for the major-ity is simply to finish. Last year only 34 of the 54 learns that started the race



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for it, Oxfam said yesterday. More than 20 million people are short of food in the Horn of Africa, while 17 million face famine in southern Africa, and Community haggling over who should pay for a grain delivery to the continent could cause untold suffering. Oxfam said.

The EC's foreign ministers agreed in principle earlier this month to provide an extra 680,000 tonnes of grain to alleviate the potential disaster. Details should have been ready for Overseas Development ministers to implement when they meet in Brussels on May 4. But Britain, France and Denmark may scupper early delivery by insisting that much of it be paid by redeploying money from existing budgets. The rest of the Community is believed to want to allocate new

Aid organisations fear a famine of monumental proportions will take hold of southern Africa by August and, since it takes three months for the first sacks of grain to reach the region Famine threatens millions in Africa while Europe cannot decide

how to pay, writes Eve-Ann Prentice

from the moment a decision is reached, delays could be catastrophic for the men. women and children who need help now.

"We are extremely concerned," said Liam Curran of Oxfam. "We understand they will not iron out these problems until after May 4. Given that places like Malawi will take four to six months to get donor aid, and that in Mozambique alone more than three million people are at risk, the delay could cause untold suffering."

A bleak forecast of unprece-dented famine and the mass movement of refugees from vast areas of Africa has been made by the Food and Agriculture Organisation, World Food Programme and other agencies. Moves towards democracy in countries like Ethiopia and Zambia are likely to be undermined by the political unrest which

walks with hunger. The map of misery shows

million need food urgently in Ethiopia, Eritrea, Sudan, Somalia, Kenya and Diibouti. There are also seven million refugees in the region.

Although more open gov-ernment has evolved in Ethiopia in the past year, ethnic conflict and banditry are hampering aid efforts in parts of the Ogaden.

In Sudan, crop failure and conflict between the government and the Sudan People's Liberation Army has left more than seven million people in urgent need of food. Aid agencies are particularly worried about 500,000 people who have fled to the desert outside Khartourn.

.In Somalia, civil war has made refugees of two million of the country's seven million people. Kenya and Djibouti have been overwhelmed by a quarter of a million refugees from Somalia and Ethiopia and parts of Kenya are suffering drought.
In Southern Africa, the

worst drought for decades has devastated crops in most countries of the region. A mission from the Food and Agriculture Organisation and other agencies has just returned from the area and warns that "only a massive international relief effort will avert widespread food short-

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FAMINE IN AFRICA

ages and famine later in the year". Cereal production in ten drought-affected countries - Zimbabwe, Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Swaziland,

rices to rise 40%

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SOUTH AFRICA

Malze production down from 7.8 million tonnes to less than 4 million. Meet

prices to rise by 15% to 24%, cultivated area to

shrink by one third

PEOPLE

Oilmen rally round maverick billionaire

Oilmen sporting "Perot for President" buttons abound in Texas in a sign of the oilmen's growing discontent with their former colleague, President Bush. Billionaire H. Ross Perot's anti-Washington message has struck a chord among oilindependents, who believe their dwindling andrestry is being sacrificed for polhical expediency. Low oil and gas prices have caused thousands of independent companies to close.

Catholic bishops in Northern Italy have officially proposed Alcide De Gasperi, the late Christian Democrat Party founder, for beatification, the first stage towards becoming a saint, raising a storm of protest from opponents of the tough-talking statesman who once called his Socialist ene-mies "reptiles." The main sponsor of the controversial politician is Giovanni Maria Sartori, the archbishop of De Gaspen's native province of

FORMER president Mikhail Gorbachev, on a 10-day visit to Japan, is urging Japanese businessmen to invest in the

Commonwealth of Independent States. He told a regional session of Rotary International of Kyoto that investment was much needed in the Russian Far East.

Bankrupt Australian entrepreneur Alan Bond was flung to the ground and winded in



Bond: flung to ground by press photographer

a scuffle with a news photographer near his home in a Penh beach suburb. The Perch Sunday Times photographer, Peter Ramshaw, said he threw the tycoon to the ground when Bond tried to grab his camera.

Priest fears for Malawi bishops

FROM REUTER IN LUSAKA

JOHN Roche, the Irish bishop expelled from Malawi during the Easter weekend in a confrontation between the government and church, expressed fears yesterday for the safety of the Roman Catholic bishops he left behind.

"I am concerned about the other bishops now because the questions we are now asking are: who is speaking in Malawi, who is in charge at this moment, and if they have taken this action against me what will happen to the other bishops?" he said from Chipata in eastern Zambia.

He was one of seven Catholic bishops and an auxiliary bishop to sign a pastoral letter on March 8 criticising the government of President Banda for its human rights record and calling for demo-cratic reforms. President Banda, who is about 90, has ruled Malawi with an iron fist since independence from

Britain in 1964. Diplomats suggested that the expulsion could be part of a battle to ensure the succession of John Tembo, minister of state in the office of the president. The bishop arrived in Zambia on Saturday after three policemen and an immigration agent ordered him from his pulpit during Good Friday Mass, serving him with a 24-hour deportation order without giving a reason. He had worked in Malawi for 20 years.

De Klerk appeals for peace

FROM REUTER IN MORIA

PRESIDENT de Klerk, sharing a podium with South Africa's two most powerful black leaders for only the second time, yesterday ap-pealed for peace to about one million black church

Mr De Klerk, Nelson Mandela, leader of the African National Congress, and Mangosuthu Buthelezi, head of the Inkatha Freedom party, gathered at the remote northern Transvaal headquarters of the Zion Christian chance to bid for support ahead of non-racial elections.

It was the first time any of the three rivals for power in a post-apartheid South Africa had addressed the low-profile church which, with more than three million members, is one of the biggest in southem Africa.

President de Klerk appealed for an end to township violence which has killed 5,000 blacks in two years. In the latest township killing, gunmen shot dead a family of eight in Sharpeville south of Johannesburg early yester-day. Most of the family were

ANC members.
Police said four men and four women, including two teenagers, died when unidentified attackers, armed with assault rifles and handguns, entered a house, ordered the occupants into a bedroom and opened fire. One person was injured.

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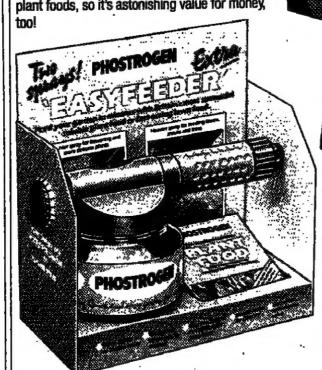
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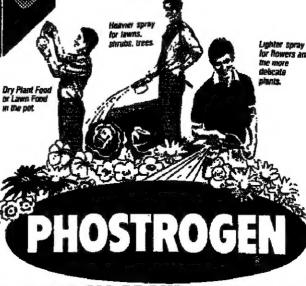
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Burma heroine kept behind closed doors

FROM ABBY TAN IN RANGOON

ALONG University Road, in a leafy suburb of Rangoon, coils of barbed wire surround a high fence painted green, courtesy of the Burmese military. Behind the fence, Aung

San Suu Kyi lives alone, a prisoner in her own home. She was arrested in July 1989 to prevent her from being the focus of pro-democracy demonstrations. She is vilified in official circles, more so after she won



Suu Kyi: nearly three years of house arrest

the Nobel peace prize last October for urging non-violent change when Rangoon was engulfed in civil strife. Officials denounce her for advocating a Western-style democracy and for alleged association with left-wingers opposed to the military

junta. Her prestige has grown among the opposition since she has been under house arrest. Her name helped the

National League for Democracy she co-founded take 80 per cent of the 485 seats in 1990's elections to the National Assembly. The junta then announced that her three years under arrest would be extended to five.

The junta claims that, largely because she bears an illustrious name, she is treated with kid gloves. Her late father, Aung San, is revered as a hero who fought for Burma's independence in 1948.

She is allowed to live in her own house and to have access to foreign radio and television broadcasts, a piano, local newspapers, and even exercise tapes. Her British husband, Mi-

chael Aris, an academic and expert on Tiber, last saw her in December 1989. Last July she ceased communication with him and her two teenage sons, who are in Britain, after discovering her mail was being used by the authorities as evidence when journalists asked about reports of her being

held incommunicado. Officials say Daw Suu Kyi is "very demanding and arrogant". She is also accused of being un-Burmese. In a xenophobic country now closed to the outside world, being married to a foreigner

is unacceptable. American and European Community pressure for her release has only hardened the junta's resolve to keep her under arrest.

A Tory cabinet for careerists

Major has chosen men who are on the

inside looking out, says Peter Riddell

may be

widely regarded as unexcit-ing. With just a few exceptions, it is a safe rather than an adventurous team, rising to, and through, obscurity. There have been none of the dramatic promotions or unorthodox appointments that Margaret Thatcher liked to make in her early days. But forming a government is rather like picking a cricket team, a comparison that has doubtless occurred to John Major as he muses over his top eleven of Surrey players or East Anglian MPs. Whatever you do, someone will criticise you. And you can only select from those available.

The point about the present cabinet and all the middle-ranking and junior ministers is that they compose probably the best team that Mr Major can find. There are few obvious anomalies

languishing at minister of state level who should be The ministers in the cabinet, or talented MPs on the backbenches experienced, with obvious minbut they have both of which happened in Mrs Thatcher's day. In not regularly travelled on the the Lords, apart from the new Tube for a very arrivals from the has been the usual long time Earl of Emsworth's more obscure rel-

men and women

atives. The pool of talent is limited. energetic newcomers in 1979 have disappeared, as a result of age, disagreement with Mrs Thatcher, or not being capable of handling senior posts. Of the 80-odd ministers and whips appointed by her in May 1979 only 14 still hold office, and most were then at the bottom of the ladder. There have been three cycles of cabinet teams. Michael Heseltine is the sole survivor of her original cabinet. and he has had what may be called interrupted service. The stars of the 1980s, such as Sir Geoffrey Howe. Nigel Lawson and Norman Tebbit, have all gone. Only five of the present cabinet reached that level before the 1987 election.

The high turnover of the cabinet might imply constant renewal and freshness. But it has not. I went through the new ministerial list to see how many I had heard express what might even charitably be My estimate is perhaps seven or eight in the cabinet and only half a dozen outside, including new entrants to the government such as Nigel Forman and Jonathan Aitken. This is only partly a matter of ideology, or rather the declining influence of ideology at the top of the Tory party. Admittedly, some of the more original thinkers are what might crudely be dubbed Thatcherites, such as Michael Portillo or John Redwood. But the list also includes non-ideological Tories such as Douglas Hurd, John Patten, Robert Jackson and Mr Forman.

More important is the way in which ministers are recruited and promoted. Most of the present cabinet served a long apprentice-ship as they climbed the ladder;

RIDDELL ON MONDAY

Bond, who was once so rich that he

had a daily delivery of noughts, but is now officially bankrupt, and

none so poor to do him reverence.

harbour a secret wish that there would be a nuclear war, not out of

a misanthropic rage against hu-

manity but because it was likely to

knock down the Trump Tower in

New York. Similarly, I bear no ill-will towards the Reichmanns, but

it seems possible that the ultimate

outcome of their plight may en-compass the demolition of Canary Wharf. My old mum used to urge

me to look on the bright side, and I

would like to, but the trouble with

Canary Wharf is that it has four identical sides, and your guess is as good as mine when it comes to

saying which is the bright one.

I don't want to upset anybody, particularly on a bank holiday, but I was irresistibly reminded of Canary Wharf — many of you, I am sorry to say, will have had the same image spring to mind — when I read of a case of alleged sayual harassment; this turned

sexual harassment; this turned upon an office in which there was

a distribution, at Christmas, of

chocolate penises. (Would you please note that I do not make the

news, I comment upon it. Some were accompanied by whipped cream, others not.) But the question is: did the Canary Wharf architect do it deliberately, or did

suppose most of us would like to be immensely rich, and although for most of us it

remains a dream, I have

always thought that although al-

most all newspapers put their financial pages at the back, or in a separate section, they are underes-

timating the interest in the news of

money - who has made lots, who looks like going smash, how much Moonbeams Inc have paid for

They do not, I am sure, lick their

street banks; whenever (it has been

twice weekly as far back as I can remember) one of them an-nounces another irretrievable loss

of some hundreds of millions

incurred by lending it to President

Mobutu on note of hand alone, the

very same high streets are soon

filled from side to side with

merrymakers. But nor do I believe

that reading about monetary

coups makes people think that

they, too, could turn the magic key to Aladdin's cave.

To some extent, I think, it is akin

to the excitement of gambling as a

spectator, with all the fun and

none of the danger. We all dream

of winning the pools jackpot, but although of course we would like to

have a couple of million pounds -

to buy a bigger house, to take carly

retirement, to travel the world in

luxury - it is the excitement, not

the avarice, that is uppermost in

I go further, I think most people would like to see the Brothers Reichmann find a way out of their

troubles, if only because the chutz-

pah of getting into 19 billion Canadian greenbacks of debt is so

most people's minds.

he — er — miss the point?

saying which is the bright one.

For many years, I used to

Mr Patten waited more than 11 years, Norman Lamont 1012 years and David Mellor and William Waldegrave nine years each. They may be experienced, but they have not looked at Whitehall from the ourside, or regularly travelled on the Tube, for a very long time. They know the official machine and the official machine knows them. The qualities that commend MPs to the whips and lead them to floor of the House of Commons are those of the orthodox rather than the unorthodox. Over time

feature of the recent batch of middle and junior ministers is that popular Test selector, has gone back to some of those passed over by his as Mr Aitken, Mr Forman, Charles Wardle, Tony Nelson and, with a bow to family tra-dition and Edwar-

dian style, Nicholas Soames, Sir Winston Churchill's grandson.
With his loud socks and even louder laugh, Mr Soames may have a hard time in the Commons dealing with Dennis Skinner and showing that he can be a serious minister as well as a character. He is a rare touch of colour, and is more welcome than Edwina Currie would have been if she had accepted Mr Major's offer of a post. She will not be missed.

Prime ministers can, of course,

recruit only from the closed shop of the Commons. And that is increasingly made up of career politicians who have committed themselves to becoming MPs when young and who have never had a "real" job independent of politics. Any work has been secondary to advancing their political ambitions. Their experience is often narrow - as trade union officials, local councillors, special advisers in Whitehall, party workers and political consultants.
Some of the brightest new entrants to the Commons, such as Peter Mandelson and David Willetts come from this group. This background may fit them to rise the ladder of preferment, but it gives them little outside experience. Career politicians tend to be adept operators of the machine rather

It is no good complaining that there are no longer any Bradmans or Comptons around when the present pool of talent offers only the occasional Graham Gooch, Robin Smith or Ian Botham. Just as one-day cricket has narrowed the Test selectors' options, so the rise of the career politician and a long period in office has limited any prime minister's choice. Mr Major has done the best he can. What he now has to ensure is that his chosen team does not get stale.

than original thinkers about

Bernard Levin asks why the Reichmanns and other rich men risk all to make even more

oincidences can be cruel. Here are the brothers That's the way Reichmann, of Olympia & York, with a debt of 19 billion dollars (Canadian dollars, to be sure, but that number of even those would strain most men's jacket pockets), awaiting a solution to their troubles, and just when the Reichmanns didn't want to be reminded of the truth that for the money goes reminded of the truth that for every sky-rocket there is a stick, enormous headlines announce the end of the happy hours of Alan



What shall it profit a man? The lure of stocks and shares goes beyond their power to enrich

Cucumbers plc, which shares have risen and which have sagged.

I do not believe that the interest shown in money by so many people is a form of Schadenfreude. lips with pleasure when some great magnate is brought low, though the exception, of course, is the high breathtaking that it deserves ap-plause. (I think it was Kean who played Shylock so powerfully that at the moment of the villain's fall a member of the audience cried out,

The poor man is wronged!") The biggest mystery is the most obvious one: why do men who have hundreds of millions safely stowed go on stowing, even though the new money brings danger with it? You don't have to be as monomaniacal as Tiny Rowland to be classed as obsessive; but why incur the classification in the first place? Gold is beautiful, valuable and

does not tarnish; but I cannot believe that that is why it has been elevated to something almost godly. If you think I am coming it too strong, try to count the metaphors attached to that strange, passion-arely covered metal, and see if anything else that can be dug out of the earth has been pressed into service so far beyond its

The greatest double meaning to be found in money raises its head in Timon of Athens. It is Shakespeare's most terrible nightmare, and it is easy to see why it is so rarely revived; Timon's offer to accommodate on his favourite tree as many Athenians as wish to hang themselves must strike a chord (nay, a cord) in a good many members of the emerging audi-ence. With Timon, Shakespeare comes closer than in any other of his plays to a real rejection of humanity: at the end even of Lear ("vex not his ghost") there is a resolution that cannot be missed. despite the horrors that have gone before, but the chill that Timon

The figure of the miser is a fascinating one, and one that I think bears out what I am saying. For the miser has taken his hoard to the ultimate limits; he has the money, but does nothing with it, except it is the familiar scene - to open his strongboxes and run the gold through his fingers.

spreads takes days to shake off.

The actual mechanics that were used to arrive at 19 billion dollars in the hole are, of course, beyond me; beyond all of us, I imagine. Do they do it in the gambler's way one more throw and I shall recoup all my losses? Some do, I suppose, but it is inconceivable that the

Reichmanns did: there was nothing flamboyant or risky in their lives, their business or even their dismay. Incidentally, the photographs of Brother Paul puzzle me; does he brush his hair in an odd style, or is he wearing a yarmulka? Well, the latter would be appropriate for a nice Jewish boy like that. and he would always be ready for a prayer when the next billion goes astray. ·

There is another, very different, aspect of money: the crime to which it leads. I have a memory that illustrates that connection but let me tell the story in full. The office in which I then worked was just off a main road which was replete with shops of all kinds. But this was before late-night shopping and even before supermar-kets. Mindful of those who worked late, sensible entrepreneurs had installed, here and there, machines which dispensed cartons of milk. From time to time, when I had forgotten to visit the grocer ("grocer", forsooth; that dates me!). I would get some milk from the machine and take it home.

The machine was about the size of a fairly large refrigerator, and

held, I suppose, something like 120 or 150 half-pints of milk. One evening, after I had finished my work and left my desk, I went round the corner for some milk and to my surprise found that the machine had gone. There was a newspaper seller nearby, and I asked him if he knew why the machine had been removed. He told me that it had been stolen.

Just think. The thieves would have needed a crane or similar device, together with instruments for prising the thing out of its niche. In addition, they would have needed a substantial van or lorry for their getaway. And for what? A few gallons of milk and at most a few pounds in sixpences. Surely the thieves' enterprise could have been channelled into a legitimate course, where such cool heads (remember, it was a main road) would have been sure to prosper. Yet they not only preferred to break the law than keep it; they broke the law for a wretched pittance.

xtrapolate from that story. Our prisons must con-tain hundreds of men whose lives alternate between being behind bars and living high on the hog, and who, if they put their minds and strengths to it, could live just as high on the hog without the intervals of prison. Again and again we are struck by the ingenuity of criminals when the charge is read out, and feel that with all that deverness, why not go straight? The work could not be harder, indeed it would most likely to be a genuinely cushy number compared with another year's porridge, and more remu-nerative as well. But the criminal mind is something too alien for me

to offer any opinion on it. Remember Robert Maxwell? Towards the end, when the sand was running out, reality broke in; but remember that for very many years he had been thieving, swindling, forging, lying and enjoying through those years, that he would never be found out? Or did he bank on the thought that he would die in criminal harness and let the world find out when he was gone? And his timing, you must admit, was almost good enough; another few years and he would not have needed to step off the yacht. Mind you, there is another riddle to unravel: did he need to be a crook? Could he not have made his millions honestly? Or - as I think — do he and those like him live in an imaginary world, refusing to recognise the real one, so that the things he did were not to him in

any way strange? And now for the national lottery: be ready with pitchforks, duckingstools and blunderbusses, for as sure as day follows night the government will, if we let it. declare a top prize of, say, £75, on the ground that a larger sum might unsettle the winner. No; let it be millions, many so that some lucky devil will be rich beyond any reasonable doubt, and the rest of us can murmur O si sic

omnes, or at least "me next week". Come; we mustn't finish on so greedy a note. Once upon a time, there was a mighty king, the richest in all history. He mounted his golden throne, with his golden crown on his head and his golden sceptie in his hand, his very garments made of the same precious metal. Then he turned to his holy man, and said, "See - here ! sit amid more gold than has ever been heaped up anywhere; how much am I worth thus?"

The holy man bowed low and spoke. "Sire," he said, "the saviour of the world was bought and sold for thirty pieces of silver. Shall we say twenty-nine?"



...and moreover MATTHEW PARRIS

the Mickey Mouse bal-loons were directly in my line of vision to the devotional Easter float. They danced before the silver cross. The float swayed a little drunkenly, borne up by the 24 little legs of 12 children who could not see where they were going, bent beneath their heavy load of purple flowers, jewelled crosses and guttering candles. Their ankles were just visible beneath the float's crimson silk skirts. Trying to shuffle to the rhythm of the music the children imparted to the float a sort of melancholy jive. The Mickey Mouse balloons bobbed more lightly in the evening air. their vendor tweaking strings to attract attention. I sipped my

beer and watched. Easter in Granada is cool and sunny and a mostly Spanish occasion, although there was a sprinkling of German and French tourists in the square near the cathedral where I sat. Yards from the Easter procession, hot potatoes were on sale. A woman had set up a converted 44-gallon drum: a charcoal oven. Steam and smoke mingled with the incense as sacramental cloths brandished on silver poles moved slowly past the potatoes. No one saw any incongruity — no more than when, moments later, a man arrived crawling on his knees behind the procession, head too bowed with pain to notice the inane grins on the faces of Mickey Mice. The Roman Catholic Church finds no difficulty in gathering Mickey, Minnie and

our Lady of Sorrows in the same embrace. After all, its friends would say, the church is catho-lic. After all, its critics would say,

it is vulgar.
On the kiosk behind the balloons was a poster depicting the Virgin Mary. She was emerging from a broken heart, opened into two halves and shown in full colour and surgical detail. The poster was from the Electricity Company of Seville. From the other side of the

square there now arose a dis-traction. Four Peruvian Indians in ethnic dress had set up their band with loudspeakers. They nd with loudspeakers. They did not directly challenge the Easter procession, but waited for lulls, then chimed in with Inca flutes, drums and man-dolins. Elements of the crowd gathered round the Peruvians and applanded. But soon the pagan interruption was over. Drums from the military section of the Christian forces sum-moned us back. The pointy-

heads were arriving. These were an extraordinary sight. Dressed head to toe in purple cloaks, their garment proceeded to a pinnacle about 18 inches above their heads. You could not see their eyes, just black holes in the satin. They looked like Ku Klux Klan followers. The effect was intimidating.

An army of purple pointy-heads, about 50 strong, shuffled past in formation. Some held ropes, apparently drawing for-ward the next float. This fea-

tured an image of Christ in agony, surrounded by candles and rising from a bed of white

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and pink gladioli. A platoon of scarlet pointy-heads followed; blue, black and finally white pointy-heads followed, quick-stepping cyclessly forward.

The crowd fell silent at the arrival of these phantoms. I was told the theory is that they are penitent souls and wish to remain anonymous. But their aspect excites fear, not pity.

There were also paramilitary squads of young men in uni-

squads of young men in uni-form. These marched with the same blank expressions of obedience and collective menace that marching soldiers al-ways show, whether marching to massacre or redemption.

After the soldiers came the police in their three-cornered hats, then more pointy-heads, then the Virgin Mary on a bed of roses brandishing a bleeding heart, then men in suits, local politicians, obviously. As they marched on, a brisk trace in hot potatoes resumed, and a Mickey

touse balloon floated free. And the reason for the Ku Klux pointy-heads struck me. The church in Spain has gone a stage further than our own church, which exists to light evil. The Spanish church has got the Devil on side. The message of this procession was clear: "You have nowhere to hide: even evil has been bent to our purpose. Join us, or perish."

It struck me that Protestants make great play of the Devil and his power. But in Granada this weekend the Devil had come over. All the best people had: everyone who mattered. Beel-

Small seizure in Seville

INTERNATIONAL relations at Expo 92, which opens today in Seville, have suffered a blow following the seizure by the local drug squad of one of the Bolivian contingent's main

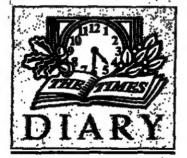
exhibits. The Bolivians had planned to give visitors a taste of coca, the plant from which cocaine is produced, in an attempt to rehabilitate its image. Their plans were dashed when the Seville drug squad seized 17lb of coca leaves destined for the Bolivian pavilion, on the enoughs that it is considon the grounds that it is considered a drug under the terms of the

Vienna Convention. Juan Carlos Calderón, architect of the Bolivian exhibition, points out that it takes 100 kilos of leaves to make one gram of cocaine. "Really, we want to fight the scourge of cocaine and show the ancient medicinal benefits of coca

leaves." he says. The Bolivians had intended to hand out the leaves, which suppress hunger and act as a mild stimulant, to visitors to chew In-

dian style. They could have done with some at the Kangaroo pub, Expo's biggest bar, where Spanish customs officials have confiscated all the chunky meat pies, a traditional Aussie delicacy. "We had hoped to sell at least 100,000," says the director, Greg Campbell, "but they claim the EC prohibits the importation of frozen processed beef. We've had to destroy the first

consignment." The loss of the pies comes after Expo officials banned the sale of Australian beer. The Kangaroo pub, which expects 16,000 visitors a day, can serve only the Spanish Cruzcampo beer, the official brew for Expo 92.



• The former Western craze for streaking enjoyed a brief revival in Moscow recently when a pub-lisher, his wife and two others strolled stark naked down the city's main shopping precinct and open air market, the Stary Arbat, in an attempt to raise the profile of the city's incipient nudist movement. Moscow shoppers took their antics in good part but the authorities were less relaxed. Nikolai Baransky and his three companions, who call themselves the Starlings, have been accused of "malicious hooligan-ism, marked by exceptional cynicism".

Diabolical drought HOLY WATER from the Anglican shrine to Our Lady at Walsingham is being rationed to preserve dwindling supplies. The well appeared 900 years ago but the 250 pilgrims who go to the Norfolk town each weekend from Easter onwards have been over-zealous with their water cans in past years, some of them turning up with five-gallon

containers.
This Easter the latest issue of the Walsingham Review makes an im-passioned plea for pilgrims to take small bottles only. The Rev Roy Fellowes, the administrator of the shrine, says: "We have had four

dry winters as well as four dry

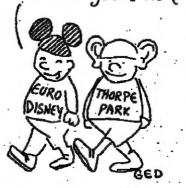
The Virgin Mary is said to have appeared in the 11th century to Lady Richelda, a Norfolk woman, and asked her to build a replica of her house in Nazareth. During the ensuing building project, Lady Richelda discovered the well, fed by underground springs. Easter weekend is the busiest for

Walsingham, which also has a Roman Catholic shrine. Hundreds of people are expected to make an Easter pilgrimage today. They will be drawing water until November. Fellowes says: "I hope pilgrims show restraint, especially when the National Pilgrimage comes in May. If people bring big containers that day it will

Di day?

THE MANAGEMENT at Thorpe Park in Surrey is hoping that the Princess of Wales's visit with her sons over the weekend will become an Easter tradition. The young royals spent last Easter enjoying the delights of the theme park's Thunder River. This year they were back with their mother to brave the newest ride, the Depth

Does your dad know you're here



Charge, Alan Randall, head of marketing at Thorpe Park, says the royal visit was spontaneous and staff found out only the night before. "They queued along with everyone else for the attractions."

Well, not quite like anyone else. The royal group was escorted by the general manager, Colin Daw-son, and trailed by a bevy of press photographers. The approval of the royal children could not have come at a better time for Thorpe. which faces increased competition from the newly opened Euro Dis-ney. "Having the Princess of Wales here certainly does us no harm," says Randall.

 Such is the plight of London's leading hotels that the Ritz has been reduced to introducing gimmicks to attract customers. It and its sister hotels, the Stafford and the Dukes, are offering free flights to the United States to customers staying a week or more. A single staying a week or more. A single room at the Ritz for a week costs £1,540, and in return guests can fly free with British Airways but only on economy class flights, a novel experience for most guests. Their preferred mode of travel— Concorde - costs £5.810 return, the equivalent of a month's stay at

Lost deposits

DIGGING into their pockets this weekend were Marjorie Mowlam. Adam Ingram and Rhodri Morgan who lost a bet on the outcome of the general election with the member for Chelmsford, Simon Burns. But Burns remains magnanimous in victory. Frank Doran, who lost his bet with Burns, also lost his seat in Aberdeen South and is not obliged to cough up. "It would be cruel to insist on it. I'll be asking the other three for my fiver," says Burns.

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Congress deputies finally close ranks and back Yeltsin

FROM MARY DEJEVSKY IN MOSCOW

A DWINDLING number of Russian congress deputies completed two potentially troublesome items of business over the weekend - the matter of a new constitution, and Russia's policy towards the former Soviet republics. Both were dispatched with minimal damage to President Yeltsin and his radical government, leaving conserva-tive deputies to wonder what had happened to their counter-attack of the previous

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Discussion of a new constitution followed several days of tedious line-by-line consideration of amendments to the existing constitution. That so much time was lavished on

the old constitution suggested that the new one, compiled by a parliamentary commission, stood little chance of approval, and so it turned out.

Having pleased Ruslan Khasbulatov, the chairman of parliament, by refusing to consider any rivals to the parliamentary commission's new constitution, deputies then infuriated him by opting for the coolest form of approval they were offered. Presented with three choices: to approve the draft "as the basis" (for a new constitution), to approve it "in general", or to approve it "as the general conception for continued work", they plumped for the last. The draft will now go back to the

commission and to parliament, where it could remain for a very long time.

This will suit Mr Yeltsin and his allies well because the version drafted by the partia-mentary commission would reduce the power of the executive vis à vis the legislature. Mr Yeltsin's allies managed to strengthen his position further by ensuring that the motion on the constitution stipulated that the president be consulted on specific clauses of the draft dealing with relations between the president and parliament.
A 40-minute address by

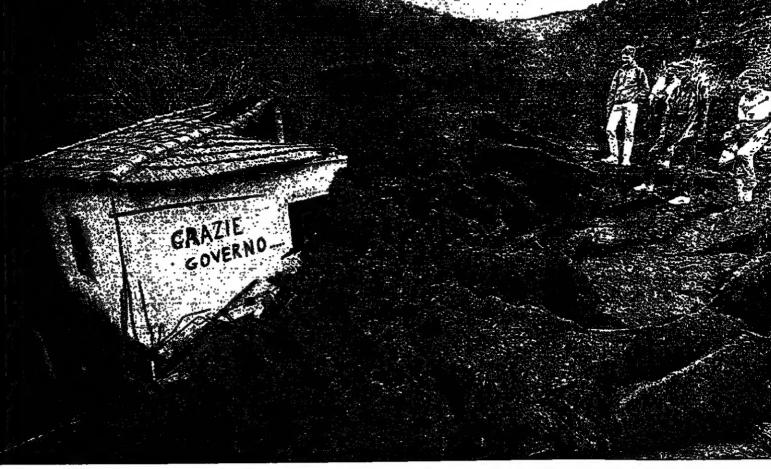
Andrei Kozyrev, the Russian Yeltsin team almost unscathed. Some shrewd timetabling - Mr Kozyrev spoke at the end of the day, when little time was left for quesegave unhappy conservative deputies no opportunity to whip up dissension, and the vexed subject of Russia's diminished place in the world may not return to the con-

gress agenda. Mr Kozyrev, already unpopular for his somewhat wilting manner and halting speech, brought the nationalist-minded congress some even more unpopular mes-sages. In general, he told them that Russia's priority was to mend its fences with the former Soviet republics which were now fully independent states and could not be ordered around. Specifi-cally, he told them that any belligerence towards Ukraine, on the subject of

either the Black Sea fleet or Crimea, would be inappropriate on the eve of negotiations. In passing, he revealed that Russia would not raise the issue of Crimea and whether it should return to Russian jurisdiction so long as Ukraine was part of the Com-monwealth of Independent States. The implicit threat was that if Ukraine moves to leave the commonwealth the price could be its jurisdiction

over Crimea. Such niceties of language, however, were beyond most of the 800 or so deputies who had bothered to turn up for Saturday's session. Tired. punch-drunk on petty policking and the small print of amendments, frustrated from two weeks of living out of suiteases in tiny shared hotel rooms, most of the deputies have had more than enough. Mr Yeltsin bowed out more

than a week ago, and is ex-pected back in the hall only on the closing day (perhaps tomorrow). His absence has left observers wondering why he does not let his government just govern.



warm lava from Mount Etna, Sicily, to collect lumps as souvenirs. The lava began oozing down the ountain again at the weekend as stormy weather hampered efforts by American and Italian troops to around a hole over the flow. The

disperse a fast-flowing underground river of lava near the stain top at 7.800 feet (Philip Pullella writes). Heavy cargo helilowered two-tonne cement blocks

blocks could be dropped into the hole today, weather permitting, in an attempt to force the lava to rise, disperse and cool. Lava from a reopened fissure at about 3,500 feet posed no immediate threat to the village of Zafferana and its

could join up with the most ad-vanced tip of lava, about half-amile from the village, within 48 hours. Villagers yesterday prayed that the four-month-old cruption

Serial killer blames Soviet sufferings

FROM VANORA BENNETT IN ROSTOV-ON-DON

ANDREI Chikatilo, Russia's most vicious serial killer, who has confessed to 55 brutal sex murders, suffered torments as a child during the most active period of Soviet repressions, his psychiatrist said.

"What he lived through in his childhood was dreadful. When he started telling me about his life, it was already the story of his illness," Aleksandr Bukhanovsky said in an interview. "It started from his earliest childhood." Dr ing with police in 1984 to



Chikatilo: confessed to 55 sex murders

track down the mystery killer who rampaged through and Uzbekistan for 12 years, raping and butchering adolescents of both sexes with a knife, a rope and his teeth.

Chikatilo, a former school teacher and active Communist party member, was arrested in 1990 for 53 murders and has since admitted 55, showing police the burial places of teenagers whose deaths had not even been recorded. He made the con-

fessions to Dr Bukhanovsky in the 16 months he spent in a KGB isolation cell before his trial started. If convicted, he faces the death penalty.

The 56-year-old prisoner told the psychiatrist his brother had been cannibalised by starving peasants during a famine in Ukraine in the 1930s, caused by the collec-tivisation of privately owned

"He was told by his nearest and dearest about an older brother who disappeared at four years old and was never seen again," Dr Bukhanov-sky said. "He remembers the year as 1934 or 1933. He was told the child was kidnapped, stolen and eaten. He found out about it when he was four. He reacted with such terror to the idea that it was possible to kidnap and eat a child that he membered it all his life."

The famines which swept Ukraine and large parts of Russia after collectivisation in the 1930s were never recorded. The fate of many Soviet soldiers, captured by Nazi Germany in the second world war and imprisoned as traitors when they returned home, was also never written into official history. Chik-

"The child was brought up as the son of an enemy of the people, a traitor." Dr Bukhanovsky said. His suffering as a child contributed to his becoming an adult uncannily like the psychological portrait Dr Bukhanovsky drew up for police during the hunt - inhibited, usually impotent, unable to make friends and dogged by a feeling of his worthlessness. (Reuter)

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Invading Serbs find alibi

SPRING came to the Bosnian town of Bjeljina yesterday. Apple blossom hung heavy on the boughs and the last traces of a late winter melted away in the afternoon sunshine.

But there were few prome naders on the streets and the handful of cafe-visitors sipped at their Turkish coffees, cagily exchanging views on events that have given this small town of 28,000 inhabitants the dubious privilege of being the first to be "liberated" by Serbian irregulars on a selfappointed mercy mission across an internationally recognised border.

Bjeljins had a clear major-ity of Muslims but most fled when the Serbian Voluntary Guard came to town at the beginning of the month. The Serbs who now control Bjeljina claim that 41 people from both communities died in the fighting here and that it was provoked by Muslims. The inhabitants say that the true figure was nearer a hundred, and there are also claims that the Muslims were goaded by local Serbs to fire and thus give the irregulars an excuse to move in.

Pero Simic, director of Bjeljina's radio station sits underneath a picture of the Voluntary Guards's leader Arkan, flanked by faithful troops and bearing the in-scription "Serbia Calls". This

Serbs claim **Bosnian Muslims** are preparing for a holy war, writes Anne McElvoy from Bjeljina

scarcely explains what Arkan — a nom de guerre — is doing in Bosnia, as the government in Belgrade still swears blind that no Serbian units are crossing the Drina. Mr Simic toes the new propaganda line issued by the leadership of the Bosnian Serbs and gaining currency in Belgrade. This proclaims that the republic's Muslims are preparing for a jihad or holy war. Arkan, Mr Simic said, had been warmly welcomed by the moderate Muslim community who embraced him with the traditional gift of the sweet baclava. Given the unannounced guest's reputation for violence - he conducted the brutally effective irregular campaign in eastern Croatia — this doubtless had more to do

and well-integrated. Serbian propaganda has not yet decided how to handle the Muslims. One strand has it that Muslim extremist

hospitality. In truth, the Mus-

lims here are largely secular

sponsible for the fighting and that the rest of the Muslim population is happy to live in the "Serb-autonomous Republic". Another goes for the grand conspiracy theory that all Muslims have become fundamentalists. .

Mr Simic has a photograph of Serbs and Muslims gathered harmoniously at the feet of a statue of King Peter of Serbia in 1935. "Now they support Pakistan, Libya and Croatia. Why does the West not realise that we are defending Europe against Islam as we did against the Turks?

In one deserted coffee bar an unhappy-looking youth beind the bar repeated the rueful mantra of these parts. We used to live together with no problems." Asked about his own origins he blushed before answering in a low voice that he was Muslim.

In nearby Loznica, on the Serbian side of the Drina, 12 Sexb and Muslim rel huddle in the small house of a kindly relative. They decline to talk about either political or religious rifts in Bosnia. The leaders wanted this, not the people," said one young woman. Her grandmother, rocking to and fro with tears of anger pouring down her cheeks said "Damn religion."

Final scramble to get Expo's act together

FROM EDWARD OWEN IN SEVILLE

FRANTIC last-minute preparations were being carried out at the Expo '92 world fair. which King Juan Carlos will open in Seville today.

After the fifth fire on the 215-hectare site last Friday. which partly destroyed a second pavilion, there were many prayers that there would be no more mistakes. At the weekend, workers at

the world fair were surprised to see semi-naked dancers perform a ritual at the New Zealand pavilion. They were Maoris and their bishop was expelling evil spirits. It will be a daily ceremony: Just across the Guadalqui-

vir river from the fair site, the last procession of old Seville's Easter pageants took place. The narrow streets have been thronged with hooded brotherhoods and echoed to clink ing chains, impassioned songs and brass bands as huge religious floats wavered on the shoulders of sweating labourers, the air thick with

Matthew John Smith, a British welder, was released at the weekend, but had his passport impounded and faces charges of negligence. He had been installing the fire protection system at the South Pacific Islands pavilion but had ignored warnings that sparks from his torch would ignite its palm-frond

Virgilio Zapatero, the min-ister with responsibility for the fair, where 109 nations and 23 organisations are exhibiting, yesterday denied that work on the site had been disorganised. He told Radio Nacional: "A work of this type always has incidents and in some cases delays, but the important thing is that, as planned, on April 20 the king will cut the tape." Emilio Cassinello, the Expo

'92 commissioner general, tried to allay fears of a terror attack by Basque separatists. A security force of 10,000 will guard the fair.

the biggest problem about the opening was that it followed the Easter holidays, with Seville packed with visitors. Many pavilions had been unable to bring in their most treasured exhibits because officials and drivers were not

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We always go one better

Syria says it will break embargo on Libya flights

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN CAIRO

FRAGILE Arab unity over United Nations sanctions on Libya began to crumble at the weekend with an announcement by Syria's state-owned airline that it was planning to operate its scheduled flight to Tripoli normally today.

Airline officials in Damascus claimed that a previous cancellation of the Syrian Arab Airline flight to Tripoli after sanctions came into effect on April 15 was due to technical, not political, reasons. The flight would be the first to Libya by a foreign carrier since sanctions.

A new report has meanwhite revived speculation about Syria's involvement in the Lockerbie bombing and cast doubt on Libya's role in the attack. After a four-month investigation, Time magazine reported that Ahmad Jibril, the Syrian-backed extremist. may have organised the bombing with the help of a Syrian drug dealer linked with the CIA.

Western diplomats said that, if Syria did not respond to pressures to halt the flight, other Arab states will be encouraged to follow suit. "That could open the floodgates."

Lebanon joins air sanctions

FROM AFP IN BEIRUT

LEBANON yesterday can-celled a scheduled flight to Libya by its national carrier Middle East Airlines, its first move since the United Nations imposed an air embargo on Libya.

A Beirut airport source said

the directive had been conveyed to the airport by the civil aviation authority. The weekly flight from Beirut to Tripoli and Tunis, would not stop over in the Libyan capi-tal but would travel directly to

The pro-Syrian Lebanese government usually takes its lead from Syria on foreign policy. President Hrawi urged the country "to work together for the central decision-making power to be in side the nation's territory."

one envoy said. The sanctions have been bitterly criticised in the Arab world, from the Gulf liament has expressed opposiin the Middle East, including Iraq, have said that they will not heed the call to expel Libyan diplomats.

Also over the weekend, Libya formally ordered the titfor-tat expulsion of foreign diplomats after orders from a number of countries - including Belgium, Brazil. France, Germany, Italy, Japan and Spain — for Libyan envoys to leave. Sana, the official Syrian

news agency, reported yester-day that Syria had assured Libya of support in "confronting the dangers" facing it. President Assad of Syria, a trenchant critic of the sanctions, began a surprise tour of the Gulf in Saudi Arabia.

In Egypt, whose citizens in Libya have suffered harassment since it began imposing the air embargo, the strength of public opinion against sanctions was demonstrated at a religious festival in the south. Some 3,000 Muslims attending the festival in the upper Egyptian town of Qous broke off celebrating and began demonstrating solidarity with Libya.
The official Iraqi news

agency reported yesterday that Libya and Iraq, both the target of UN sanctions, had called for a pooling of Arab resources to break the embargoes against them. It said that the call came during a meeting in Tripoli between a senior figure from Iraq's ad-ministration and Libya's hardline number two, Major Abdel-Salam Jalloud.

Time said the Lockerbie bomb may have been placed on the plane by Ahmad Jibril's group with the help of a Syrian drug lord named Monzer al-Khasser. Mr al-Khasser had connections with a CIA unit code-named Corea that was trafficking in guns and drugs in an effort to gain access to Middle East-

ern terrorist groups. Mr Jibril had agreed with Iran to take revenge on the United States after an American warship mistakenly sho down an Iranian airliner over the Gulf in July 1988, the magazine said.

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Hero of opposition challenges Fujimori

FROM CORINNE SCHMIDT IN LIMA

MAXIMO San Roman, the turned at the weekend to confront his erstwhile partner. President Fujimori, and assume leadership of Peru's democratic opposition. He called Senor Fujimori a liar and accused him of "putting at risk the whole country and its sacrifice for economic stability".

The return of Señor San Roman will doubtless make Señor Fujimori's life difficult. Though the president enjoys public support and the backing of the military command. his assumption of near-dictatorial powers on April 5 has brought forth international condemnation

Señor San Roman, 46, whom parliament plans to name constitutional president, is ready to capitalise on the world's censure, particularly during the visit this week isation of American States.

Señor San Román waited for eight days after the autogolpe, or self-coup, before speaking out. He has called it "an eternity, eight days of reflection". But when he did so, it was with anger and vehemence, calling Senor Fujimori a "usurper"

Though he may be startled by the effusive street support for Señor Fujimori. Señor San Roman claims not to be worried about opinion polls giving the president 70 and 80 per cent approval ratings. "If you ask whether they want to fight narcotics trafficking and corruption, of course everyone will say yes." he said. But ask whether they want

democracy or dictatorship." Polls consistently show that Peruvians favour democracy. but Senor San Roman's challenge will be to convince them that Señor Fujimori is a dictator. After repression in the early days of the coup, the government has freed nearly all its political prisoners, lifted press censorship and allowed the disbanded Congress to meet in private.

In fact, much of Señor San Román's struggle in the days to come will be about image, and his status as a former insider may help him. For instance, many Peruvians ac-cept Señor Fujimori's charges that the Congress was corrupt and blocked his presidential initiatives. But Señor San Roman alleges that the president refused to co-operate with Congress.

Although the parties of the disbanded Fredemo coalitionshared many of the presi-dent's policy goals. Señor Fujimori never joined forces with them. "He did not want to co-ordinate absolutely anything," Señor San Román

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Although rival worship-pers would never admit to it publicly. Jews. Chris-

tians and Muslims vying for God's attention in the holy

capital cannot resist a little

pious one-upmanship.
But, if the thousands of
Christian pilgrims who have

poured into Jerusalem for

Easter celebrations expect-

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Jews find the Easter cele-brations in the church of the Holy Sepulchre, particularly the elaborate and overemo-



Price of war: an Afghan boy holds two loaves of bread for which he paid 600. rupees (£1). Flour shortage has driven up the price in the last two months

Old enemies join forces to bar hardliners from Kabul

IN THE far north of Afghanistan two men who were enemies for 14 years sit together, drink green tea and share war stories. One is a Mujahidin commander, the other an army general. A month ago they would have killed each other, today they are improbable allies.

Muhammad Aslam, an Uzbek, fought many times against General Rushal Pahlawan, who is also an Uzbek. But last month northern army troops defied the government in Kabul with the Mujahidin, thus beginning the chain of events which led to President Najibullah's overthrow. The rebellion came amid resentnance of Pashtun comm-anders in the region.

The war is over in the north," General Pahlawan said, straightening his tur-ban. "By refusing to obey orders from Kabu!, we hoped to topple Najibullah. We succeeded quicker than we expected. For years he divided us and kept us fight-ing because that was the only way they had power. Now he has gone, peace can return everywhere.

Commander Aslam nodded in agreement. "Najibullah would not allow us to live in peace. We have grown old in years of war. We were manipulated into fighting and quite honestly we now wonder what it was all about. Brother has fought brother for what? There was no choice but to bring Najibullah down. Thank

God it is over." Both men are allied to General Abdul Dostum. who led the northern army rebellion. He seized control

Christopher Thomas joins an Afghanistan general and a guerrilla in a chat over a pot of tea

of Mazar-e-Sharif, the principal town of the north and second largest in Afghanistan. On March 19 he ruthlessly imposed law and

Three of his men caught looting were publicly shot, a soldier accused of rape was tied to the tracks and crushed. After that there was no trouble, life goes on in Mazar as if there had been no war or coup.

It is a dusty mud town ragged and poor, with a population of 800,000 swollen by refuges from the dangerous countryside. Many will now return to abandoned farms. There are no soldiers on the streets now; Mujahidin fighters blend in easily, leaving their weapons at designated sites on the outskirts.

Tanks still guard the air-port. Last Friday several transport planes arrived from Kabul to carry soldiers, militia and Mujahidin back to the capital to protect it from possible attack by rival Mujahidin factions.

Young men who used to be enemies lined up together, laden with weapons, plainly excited by their joint mission as if they had never fought each other; a testimomy to the capacity of the Afghans to build new opportunistic alliances as soon as the old ones become

chief of staff of the army's 53rd division, watched his men go. The Mujahidin and the army are united all over northern Afghanistan, he said. "Our aim now is to stop fundamentalist forces con-trolling Kabul. We are

The northern forces are backed by Ahmad Shah Masood of Jamiat-i-Islami. the Mujahidin group which controls much of northern and eastern Afghanistan. They have sent thousands of men to defend Kabul from the threatened invasion by hardline forces headed by Gulbuddin Hekmatyar.

General Ahmad Zamy. a Tajik, was commanding troops late last week along the strategic Salang high-way. "If Masood advances towards the city, we will lay down our weapons and wel-come him as a fellow Tajik. God knows why. The Pashtuns dominate us. Najib-ullah has lost and that has changed everything."

• Islamabad: Pakistan said yesterday it would co-oper-ate with the UN efforts 10 secure a safe passage for the ousted Dr Najibuliah out of Afghanistan.

"We have raised no objection to the UN efforts to arrange a safe passage for Najibullah," a foreign office spokesman said. He did not elaborate, but observers believe that Islamabad might agree to Dr Najib-ullah travelling through Pa-kistan, if the UN succeeds in arranging his departure from Kabul. Pakistan has ruled out political asylum for President Najibullah. (AFP)

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Quebec seeks end to dispute

FROM JOHN BEST IN OTTAWA

ROBERT Bourassa, the premier of Quebec, has given the clearest signal yet that his province may be preparing to settle its constitutional dispute with the rest of Canada.

Mr Bourassa told the French daily Le Monde that a referendum to be held this autumn in Quebec would be on renewed federalism rather than independence. "We are certain that we can build a very dynamic Quebec without destroying Canada," he said. Quebec, whose inhabitants are mostly French-speaking. has a law requiring that a referendum on sovereignty should be held by October 26. However, Mr Bourassa's Liberal government could use its majority in the provincial leg-

islature to amend the law. Mr Bourassa said he expected "offers" from the federal government in Ottawa proposing new constitutional arrangements, adding: "The referendum will be on these offers." The offers would have to contain the substance of the Meech Lake accord. which collapsed two years ago. Meech Lake would have recognised Quebec as a "dis-tinct society", which the other provinces and the federal government have now agreed in principle to accept. The pre-mier also said the offers must provide a division of powers allowing a more "efficient" form of federalism while not

reducing Quebec's powers. Mr Bourassa's remarks appeared to mark his second move within days toward a constitutional reconciliation. Last week it was announced that he would visit Canada's four western provinces to help resume a dialogue that was broken off when the Meech

tional Orthodox services, at

best faintly comical and at

worst a superstitious mani-

festation marking the resur-

rection of a man, still consid-

ered by many Jews to be

their nation's most notori-

For their part, Christians will ridicule readily the self-

imposed dietary constraints

of observant Jews, who in

addition to keeping kosher kitchens, purge their homes of every crumb of leavened bread, and the smallest par-

ticle of grain from bird seed

to beer during Passover,

which marks the celebration

of the liberation of Jews

from Egypt. The only obvi-

ous false Messiah.

Lawyers argue at 11th hour as killer awaits gas chamber

AFTER 14 years on Death Row, Robert Alton Harris spent Easter Sunday waiting to learn whether at one minute past midnight tonight he would be the first man executed in California in a quarter of a century.

Few executions have been

so furiously contested. All but a handful of the 168 executions in America since capital punishment was restored in by a few Southern states. Were the beliwether state of California to resume executions, much of the rest of America could follow suit.

Harris's final plea for clemency was rejected by Pete Wilson, California's gover-nor, last Thursday. On Friday a federal court judge blocked yet another appeal, but on Saturday night a district judge issued a 10-day restraining order after the American Civil Liberties lethal gas was a cruel and unusual punishment. Lawyers for the state imm-

ediately appealed against that stay, and yesterday, morning both sides were waiting to hear whether the appeal would be heard later in the day, today or after the scheduled execution time. "On the Sunday we celebrate cruel to subject a human being to asphyxiation in a gas chamber," protested Michael Kroll, a friend of Harris and director of the Death Penalty Information Centre.

Harris, aged 39, was con-victed in 1978-of murdering two i6-year-old boys. Recent-ly freed from jail, where he had been sent for beating a man to death, he and his brother needed a car to rob a bank. They found the boys parked outside a fast-food res-



Judge Marilyn Hall Patel: granted a temporary restraining order blocking the execution

JERUSALEM NOTEBOOK by Richard Beeston

Marilyn Monroe falls victim to season of divine fervour

ous winners from this annu-

al religious climax are the Muslims, who have just fin-

ished their fast during the holy month of Ramadan,

and whose shopkeepers and

tour guides in Jerusalem's

Old City are the only benefi-

ciaries, in non-spiritual

terms, from so many Chris-tian and Jewish tourists.

In this state of divine fer-

your it is perhaps not sur-

prising therefore that the country's ultra-Orthodox

rabbis have been outdoing

themselves in safeguarding

religious dogma even on the

The first victim was Mari-

lyn Monroe, whose scantily

most trivial of matters.

clad picture in fishnet stock-ings was set to appear on a new stamp, part of a series of film stars whose photo-

graphs appear at a new Tel Aviv exhibition. However.

the postal authority, headed

by Raphael Pinchasi, the ul-

tra-Orthodox communica-tions minister, withdrew the

stamp after it was decided that the sex symbol "could

expose the different commu-

nities in the post offices to a

message which would arouse excitement."

Another casualty were piz-za parlours in the Tel Aviv

religious surburb of Bnei Brak, where young custom-ers have been banned from

Union argued that death by taurant, forced them to drive to a reservoir and butchered them. Harris allegedly then ate their unfinished hamburgers.
Harris's lawyers have kept
him alive by filing at least 20

appeals, the most recent based on the contention that his original jury did not know he was mentally impaired. He endured brutal beatings from his father when a child, hol syndrome, because of his mother's alcoholism. Two years ago Harris came within hours of execution before winning a reprieve.

Harris's execution now would "send a message to everyone in the US that this is now something America accepts," said Ramona Ripston, Director of Southern California's ACLU.

By breaking a psychologi-cal barrier and setting a precedent, it could also dramatically shorten the life expectancy of the 328 other inmates of California's Death Row. "I think the gas cham-ber is going to be busy." said Michael Rushford, president of the Criminal Justice Legal Foundation.

Eighty per cent of Californians support the death penalty, and as crime soars across the nation the political tide is running strongly in its favour. Harris has already been moved from Death Row to a cell near the gas chamber in the San Quentin prison outside San Francisco and demonstrators had already begun to gather outside before the weekend.

If the stay of execution is overturned, Harris will be given his last meal at 6.00 this evening — he has request-ed fried chicked, pizza and Pepsi. A spiritual adviser will arrive at 7.00, and then he will be allowed soft drinks, cigarettes and television.

tucking in on the premises because of fears that unmar-

ried young men and women could indulge in unchaper-

Mordechai Eliahu, the Se-

phardi chief rabbi, ruled ear-

lier this month that anyone in possession of US curren-

cy, which bears the words "In God We Trust", must have his dollars concealed

when he entered "impure places such as toilets".

However, not all Israelis

weighed down by religious details, a fact made abun-

dantly clear by the long queue of Jewish families

waiting to cross the border



Castro: still defying,

30-year embargo **Bush turns** screw on Cuba trade

FROM JAMIE DETTMER

PRESIDENT Bush unexpectedly tightened the US trade embargo on Cuba at the weekend by prohibiting foreign cargo ships and cruise liners that trade with Havana from entering American ports.

The ban, which requires ships to have licences from America to trade with Cuba startled and annoyed the shipping industry which said it would have a big impact. Mr Bush's order to the US

Treasury pre-empts a Demo-crat-sponsored bill that seeks the same shipping restric-tions, but which would permit the export of medicinces and upgrade telephone com-munications between the countries. Mr Bush is opposed to the bill, believing it will weaken the 30-year

embargo. Mr Bush said: "Fidel Castro is on his own. My administration will support free trade arrangements that benefit our sister democracies but will not accept loopholes that aid the Castro regime. No nation should help bankroll this dictatorship. An official said Mr Bush

wanted to capitalise on Cuba's vulnerability since losing its \$5 billion Soviet aid.

on Friday from the Israeli resort town of Ellat to the

There was nothing techni-

the more than 100 Israelis to spend their Seder — Passover dinner — at the Hilton Hotel in Tabe, which caters

for the traditional meal and

provides the essential mat-

However, it probably

would not have impressed

Moses to learn than Jews were returning to Egypt vol-untarily at Passover, to cele-

brate their ancestors' much

publicised Exodus from the

same country 3,500 years

20s — unleavened bread.

Egyptian coast at Taba.

UN voices Cambodia optimism

Phnom Penh: Boutros Bout-ros Ghali, UN secretary-general, visited refugees coming home to west Cambodia and said he was optimistic about "Everything is excellent. They
(UN staff) have done wonderful work. I was optimistic
when I arrived. I'm more optimistic now," he said after visiting Battambang.

repatriation 370,000 refugees who fled the war for camps in Thai-land is the UN's biggest peace-keeping mission ever and a key component of the peace accord signed in October by the Phnom Penh regime and its guerrilla rivals.

More than 2,500 have come home under UN auspices since March 30, but land for resettlement is short. mines litter the countryside, and police are reported to have asked the returnees about their political affiliation. (Reuter)

Grenade kills worshippers

lligan, Philippines: A gre-nade exploded during an Easter Sunday Catholic procession in this southern Phil-ippines city, killing nine worshippers including four children and wounding 70, many of them children dressed as angels.

Police said an unidentified man threw the grenade into a crowd watching the pre-dawn procession carrying statues of the resurrected Christ and the Virgin Mary outside St Mi-chael's cathederal (Reuter)

Election sought

Taipei: More than 10,000 people marched in heavy rain through cities acress Taiwan to demand the resignation of Hau Pei-tsun, the prime min-ister, direct presidential elections, and the release of dissidents. The government said it is to revise its sedition law to allow open advocacy of

Tamils die

Colombo: At least 20 Tamil rebels and ten government soldiers were killed in a ambush by about 150 rebels in northwest Sri Lanka, a military spokesman said. Another six soldiers were also wounded. (Reuter)

Trouser power

Lisbon: Jonas Savimbi, the former guerrilla leader, used the slogan "New thousers in September" at a rafly in Uige. Angola, to launch the campaign of Unita, the old rebel With the second second second second second

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ONE CHURCH, ONE FAITH?

The Church of England is no stranger to the controversy which has again overshadowed its celebration of Easter. The Archbishop of Camerbury, Dr George Carey, yesterday delivered a trenchant Easter sermon in Canterbury Cathedral, defending against doubters the traditional doctrine of Christ's resurrection from the dead. Doubtless he had a pre-empive eye on last night's television schedules, which promised a heavy attack on doctrinal orthodoxy from some of the church's most outspoken radicals. Dr Carey must be asking himself whether an occasional forthright sermon is sufficient response to this challenge. At what level of fragmentation does a church start to lose its coherent identity, even its integrity?

These are questions primarily for the Church of England's own leadership and membership. But by virtue of the Church of England settlement, it is the Christian religion which is established by law, not some other. Unless and until it is disestablished, radical churchmen would do well not to assume the consent of the wider community to any fundamental changes in the church's beliefs. Last night's BBC television programme highlighted the existence of a body of clergy who claim just that degree of freedom.

They have named themselves the Sea of Faith Network, after an earlier television series based on the writings of the Rev Don Cupitt, Dean of Emmanuel College, Cambridge. Mr Cupitt is difficult to pin down, but occupies a position on the religious spectrum somewhere between Buddhism and atheism. It goes without saying that he and members of this group do not subscribe to a literal bodily resurrection, nor indeed to anything resembling traditional Christian faith in life after death. They may call themselves Christians, but it is doubtful whether anybody else would. As Dr Carey said: "Belief in the resurrection is not an appendage to the Christian faith - it is the Christian faith."

The church has had to face doctrinal dissent in its ranks before - though not as radical as now - and has managed it successfully. In the 1830s Newman and his colleagues founded the Tractarian Movement partly as a counter-attack against

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doctrinal liberalism; in 1863 Bishop John Colenso was sacked from the bishopric of Natal for taking liberalism to the point where he was accused of heresy. But in general liberalism has been contained, as a distinctive part of the Anglican mix. Many onlookers found the Honest to God debate in the 1960s a stimulating attempt to reinterpret Christian belief in the light of modern thought. And everything settled down afterwards, largely because of an unwritten understanding that the challenge to orthodox belief would not be pushed too far.

When Dr Carey was named the next Archbishop of Canterbury in 1990, it was said that because he combined an evangelical background with considerable academic ability, he would lead a formidable counterattack against theological liberalism in the church. His Easter sermon made many good points. But the galaxy of Anglican belief continues to expand, with the furthest extremes moving away from each other so fast that it is hardly still possible to speak of one church, one faith.

The price of liberty of belief in the established church in England is a high one. In 1986 the House of Bishops acknowledged that the views held by the Bishop of Durham, the Right Rev David Jenkins, were compatible with Christian faith and the office of bishop, even if the majority of his fellow bishops took a more conservative line. But through the wrong end of the telescope with which the majority of the population views ecclesiastical affairs, the Durham debate added to the confused impression that the Church of England stood for too many contradictory things at once, and hence for nothing in particular.

That is an impression which does no justice to the deep commitment and clear faith of most Anglicans. But it is an impression which has become so widespread, inside the church as well as outside, that critical faculties have been dulled to the extent where the only sin is to be thought intolerant. For the sake of its good name the Church of England has to address the challenge in the Bishop of Salisbury's remark yesterday: "If you don't believe, you have no

business representing the Christian church."

From Ms Kate Baillie nationalist MP was elected, a Tory minister was unseated, the Liberal

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

the Labour party given just under

The following day I had to travel to England. As I drove eastwards I

wondered what all the pundits and

commentators would make of the

Welsh results. I listened to radio

election coverage all the way. In the evening I watched five hours of

television news and comment. On April 11 I bought three newspapers.

Not an article, not a paragraph, not

I am English and I have not lived

long in Wales. But I am beginning to see that it is not a Celtic mist that swirls above Offa's Dyke but a

British fog. And I'm glad I voted

Sir, Now that the Labour party has suffered its fourth defeat in a row,

and bearing in mind the considerable influence wielded in that party

by Celts of one fringe or another

(with the odd antipodean thrown in).

could we now have our rose back please? I would wish to wear mine on

Flat 1, 36 Buckingham Gate, SW1.

Sir, In your report, "Rebels risk Labour split over call for Scots protest" (April 13), you quote Wil-liam McKelvey, Labour MP for Kilmarnock and Loudoun, as say-ing: "There is a vacuum in Scotish

politics and there could be some kind

With any sort of vacuum, there

may be an implosion. An explosion is not possible.

half the votes.

a single comment.

Plaid Cymru.

Yours faithfully, KATE BALLIE,

St George's Day.

JOHN NICHOLS.

From Mr John F. Pugsley

Yours faithfully,

April 14.

Yours etc.,

JOHN F. PUGSLEY,

30 Liverpool Road,

Brynmadog, Gwernogle, Carmarthen, Dyfed.

From Mr John Nichols

1 Pennington Street, London E1 9XN Telephone 071-782 5000

Nationalism in election aftermath

From the Honorary President of Plaid Cymru

Sir, The 1992 general election result underlines the fact that England is a Conservative nation — while Wales

and Scotland are emphatically not. Between them Wales and Scotland returned only 17 Tory MPs from their 110 seats, six of 38 in Wales and 11 of 72 in Scotland. Wales and Scotland again voted overwhelm-ingly for the Labour party. Yet they are subjected to the fourth successive Conservative government.

Within the present centralised British state this position will con-tinue. If Labour failed to win when circumstances were so very favourable, when can they win? English Conservatives can ensure a succession of Conservative governments in

London well into the next century. In Wales and Scotland, democracy can now only be achieved with selfgovernment. Parliaments for both countries must be set up if the two nations are to be governed in accordance with the will of their

Despite intractable Conservative antagonism to self-rule for Scotland and Wales, the right to govern ourselves can be won. Will, not force, is the basis of the state. In the Baltic countries and in eastern Europe people-power achieved a democratic order in the teeth of hardline communist conservatism. Estonia and Latvia are smaller than Wales, and

Russia is far bigger than England. Latent in the Welsh nation lies moral power capable of achieving a Welsh democracy, with a voice in the European Community, even in the teeth of bitter opposition of nationalist English Conservatism. To echo John Major's cry, "Wake up, my fellow countrymen, wake up now":

Yours truly, GWYNFOR EVANS, Honorary President, Plaid Cymru, Talar Wen, Pencarreg, Llanybydder, Dyfed.

Sir, In Wales on April 9 a fourth

Civil war and great Dutch discoveries Democrats were badly squeezed and Duylken to make sure that Onbek-

From Mr Hans Doeleman

Sir. I have read today's War Times with joy and great admiration for the product. However, perhaps you will allow me to comment on your

leading article, "A new new world".

Since you insist at the top of the page that today is December 27, 1642, you simply cannot yet know of the discoveries by the Dutchman, Abel Tasman. He is not due to return to Batavia in Nederlands Indië (Indonesia to you) until June 15, 1643, and nobody yet knows where he and his crew are sailing to in the vessels Heemskerck and Zeehaen.

Furthermore, it is not Terra Australis that Mr Tasman will discover but Van Diemensland (later Tasmania), which will wrongly be considered to be part of Australia. Soon afterwards, he will discover Staten Eiland, later to be named Nieuw Zeeland after the Dutch

To be even more precise: Terra Australis (Onbekend Zuidland in today's Dutch, which means "Unknown Southland" in your fine language) was discovered many years before Tasman arrived there. Some of the discoveries were accidental, but in 1602 two longforgotten Dutchmen, Willem Jansz and Jan Lodewijksz, set sail in Het

which may one day be found and, if so, deserves to be exhibited in the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam. Today, Sir, at the end of this regretable year of civil war in England. I wonder how you dare to suggest interfering in the business of my fellow countrymen. My country, which is not called the Netherlands

end Zuidland really existed. They

were the first Europeans to set foot

on Australia, reaching what will one

day be known as the Gulf of

Fourteen years later, on October

25, 1616, another Dutchman, Dirck

Hartogsz, landed on Onbekend Zuidland's western coast. To prove

this he left an inscribed dish there

Carpentaria.

- with its rotten fleet - decides to export its criminals to the land which we discovered. You had better make peace in your

Yours faithfully, HANS DOELEMAN. Delftiaan 73, 2023 LC Haarlem. December 27, 1642

From Lord Norwich

April 13) is perfectly right when he points out that, while one would not for a moment suggest that free-standing statues should be returned to their country of origin, the Elgin Marbles have a greater claim to repatriation by virtue of being an integral part of the Parthenon. He omits to point out, however, that if they were returned to Greece the Greek government would not restore them to their original position but would consign them instead to the

In so doing, it would of course be perfectly right: once exposed to the appalling pollution of modern Athens the marbles would, within a very few years, be so damaged as to be unrecognisable. But why simply ex-

Let us rather make the Greek government an offer: if at any time in the future it can purify Athens air to the point at which an international committee of neutral scientists de-clares that the marbles can safely be replaced on the Parthenon itself, we will return them with our blessing. Until that time comes, they should

24 Blomfield Road, W9.

From MrA. M. Apostolou

Sir, Given that ancient Hellenic antiquities are to be found around both the Mediterranean and Black seas, they cannot be claimed to be the property of the contemporary state which just happens to occupy a small part of the ancient Hellenic homeland (letters, April 13, 16).

The Elgin Marbles, like the temples of Paestum or the ruins of Ionia form part of the heritage of all those who hold the Ancient Greeks in high esteem. It is therefore fitting that they remain in the custody of a country whose institutions and values have long drawn their inspira-tion from Classical Greece.

PERU AGAINST THE TREND

Any coup is an act of arrogance, justly distrusted. Yet President Alberto Fujimori's coup to "save democracy" in Peru may have little in common with the classic grabs for power to which Latin Americans were for decades all too accustomed. The Organistaion of American States, committed as it now is to intervening wherever democracy in the hemisphere is at risk, cannot ignore the near paralysis of the political institutions Señor Fujimori has suspended.

Nonetheless the OAS mission which arrives in Lima today will insist that he cannot, whatever the provocations, dispense with constitutional legitimacy and hope to go on receiving the aid on which his plans for economic and social reforms depend. History is against Señor Fujimori's judgment that democracy is too important to be left to politicians. In Latin America, the military have nearly always been as corrupt and incompetent as they have been cruel. In a region whose politicised generals are never far from the foreground, he has caused consternation by inviting the men in uniform to join him at the controls.

His action has blighted what should be a season of self congramiation in Latin America, where the first fruits are beginning to appear of a revolution in governance and economic policies fully as sweeping as those of Eastern Europe. Country after country has shed both military dictatorship and ruinously profligate economics based on state control, heavy domestic subsidies, high trade barriers cushioning inefficient manufacturing, and huge budget deficits financed by unpayable foreign debts. The capital that fled from South American hyper-inflation in the 1980s - an estimated \$200 billion - is starting to return. Growth last year was 3 per cent after a decade of seemingly unstoppable decline. Money is real again, even in

Argentina, which has reduced inflation from a peak of 20,000 per cent to a manageable 30 per cent. And the countries that have done best are those, such as Mexico, with the most radical reform programmes.

Most of these revolutions, however, are still in the early stages, and most vulnerable to sabotage either by populist demagogues exploiting discontent at austerity or by generals out to save the military's special privileges. To bring the benefits of reform to the poorest, these new democracies have to contend with formidably well entrenched landowners and industrial oligarchies, who have seen to it that the disparities between rich and poor are wider in most of Latin America than anywhere else in the world. Failure to soread the benefits of resumed growth has been at the root of two revolts. one popular and one military, against president Carlos Andrés Pèrez of Venezuela.

It is this Gordian knot of privilege that Señor Fuilmori has claimed to be cutting through. A political loner without a majority in Peru's Congress, he has had a harder time than most gaining the politicians' assent to the decrees pouring from his office. His vice president, Máximo San Román, returned to Lima last night roaring defiance, but the nine tenths of Peruvian farmers with no title to their land have the right to demand that the opposition shows as much concern for their misery as it shows to due democratic form. Señor Fujimori has offered "national dialogue" with all political groups.

They should think again before spurning this outright the president is not the only man on a tightrope, nor is he entirely wrong to argue that the status quo ante was unworkable. Trading insults will not cure Peru's ills. Señor Fujimori has made a mistake and seems to recognise it. He should he helped to reverse course, not hounded out.

Access to tapes From Mr D. E. J. Dracup

Sir, Mr Peter Ross complains (letter, April 13) that the Crown Prosecution Service will not give him a copy of what he describes as part of the prosecution evidence against his client, namely a video recording of a police interview with a child victim of allegedly indecent assault. Mr Ross has been given facilities to see the recording but he fears that a miscarriage of justice may result if he is

not provided with his own copy. The complaint is based upon a misunderstanding. The tape is not part of the prosecution evidence but has been disclosed to Mr Ross by the Crown Prosecution Service in order to assist him in the preparation of his client's defence. Later this year the law will change to allow such recordings to be played as evidence in trials, but for the time being they are

not usually admissible in evidence. It is a lamentable but well documented fact that recordings of children describing acts of alleged indecency are attractive to pacdophiles. The more copies of a tape that are made, the greater is the likeli-hood of one falling into the wrong hands, and we therefore only make

copies where absolutely neces When tapes become admissible in trials it may be necessary to give copies to the defence; but that is not the position in this case and I cannot accept that our decision creates the risk of a miscarriage of justice. Yours faithfully,

Kingston upon Thames, Surrey.

D. E. J. DRACUP (Chief Crown Prosecutor, South London and Surrey Area). Crown Prosecution Service, Tolworth Tower, Surbiton, Surrey.

From Mr Stephen Lowe

Sir, I applaud Mr Peter Ross for his fear of a miscarriage of justice and his consequent call for advance disclosure of all the elements of the

However, such an argument should cut both ways. As the law now stands, there is no requirement on the defence to make disclosures, except in a few exceptional circumstances. This allows the use of the socalled "ambush tactic" when a line of defence is only disclosed during the course of the trial; it is by then much too late for the prosecution to seek to find witnesses to refute what has

Surely, if it is so vital in the interest of justice to have full and frank disclosure, such disclosure must come from both sides? Justice is not only about acquitting the innocent but is also about convicting the guilty.

Yours faithfully STEPHEN LOWE. 10 Forest Road. Annesley Woodhouse, Nottingham.

Libya sanctions

From Lord Kennet

Sir. You report (April 15), under the headline "World court rules against Libya", that the International Court of Justice has decided that it "had no power to prevent the United Nations Security Council enacting sauctions against Libya" and that "the court ruled that the UN Charter is superior to the Montreal Convention". (This convention, as Marc Weller has shown in your columns (article, March 27), provides the inter-national law in the field of air terrorism.)

The details of the court's decision will need looking at very carefully to see whether it implies that the United Nations Security Council — as distinct from the United Nations Char-

ter — is above or beyond the court's reach and may, as in this case, turn aside a properly framed inter-

If this is the court's considered pointion, the world faces quite new possibilities of injustice and tyranny. The domestic analogy is the judiciary of a country declaring the executive branch excused the provisions of the

It is much to be hoped that the foreign secretary, with the election over, will take time to examine Britain's long-term interests in a world governed by expediency not law, and what British policy ought now to be.

Yours etc., KENNET. House of Lords. April 15.

Fight for survival

From Lt Col I. G. Mathews Sir, You report (April 14) that rival councils have already put aside £3 million of ratepayers' money to "fight their corner" in the coming reorganisation of county and district

Since the government is funding Sir John Banham's commission, which will take five years to create single-tier councils, a great deal of public money will be spent in ordering the changes.

I am all for the Banham commission, and I don't mind at all some of my taxes being used to finance it. I mind like hell the councils using my rates to try to confound it. Why shouldn't the councillors concerned be made to use their own money if they're so keen on staying alive?

Yours sincerely. 36 High Street, Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire.

I. G. MATHEWS.

election attracted millions of modrate voters, it should only indicate that it is the Iranian people who are the real moderates and not the regime. It is the suppressed people who are sending signals to the free

world, hoping to be rescued.

You say that the West should move more swiftly to "grant credits ... relax control on technology exports". The Iranian government has yet to prove that it is pro-democracy and has respect for international law. Economic and technological assistance could be fatal to the overall policies of the new world order.

Finally, you inform your readers that the election result "will embolden Iranian exiles to return, cowed intellectuals to speak up for civilised values". Iranians in exile are far too intelligent to be fooled by "reform" poses. True intellectuals who are not in exile are in prison.

Yours sincerely. A. AGHVAMI (Deputy Chairman). Society of Iranian Academics BM Box 2998, London WC1N 3XX. but proudly bears the name of The Republic of the United Netherlands. will surely react violently if England

poor, beautiful country and join us in the freedom fight against the papist Spaniards.

(April 11, 1992).

Elgin Marbles

Sir, Mr Brian Kemball-Cook (letter,

Acropolis museum.

change one museum for another?

stay where they are. Yours faithfully, JOHN JULIUS NORWICH.

Yours faithfully, A. M. APOSTOLOU, 33 Raleigh Drive, N20.

final attempt to reach a diplomatic Falklands invasion solution.

From Sir Rex Hunt

Sir, I was intrigued by the statement in your article, "A very British cover-(April 2), that the Foreign Office gence Committee) assessment of July 1981 that ministers "now had either to negotiate in good faith on leaseback or fortify the (Falkland)
Islands against likely invasion in

1982" (my italics). If this is true, it is news to me. As the then governor of the islands, I find it almost inconceivable that my own department would have kept me in the dark on such a serious assessment of the situation. I believed that they shared my view that the talks with the Argentinians would continue until the annual UN debate in October 1982 when the foreign secretary, Lord Carrington. and the Argentine foreign minister, Dr Costa Mendez, would make a

My assessment was that they would fail, that the Argentinians would make life difficult for the

islanders (for example, by withdrawing the air service), that such tactics would fail to weaken the islanders' opposition to leaseback, and that we should have to face the prospect of a possible invasion to coincide with the 150th anniversary of continuous British settlement in January 1983.

Nothing in the Franks report indicated that my colleagues in the Foreign Office thought that an invasion was likely in 1982. Like me, they got it wrong in thinking that a full-scale military action against the islands was unlikely until all other forms of pressure had been ex-

Yours sincerely, REX HUNT, Old Woodside, Broomfield Park, Sunningdale, Berkshire.

Toil and soil

From Mr C. L. Kirch Sir, Unexpectedly, I have had to take over the job of the school gardener. My main problem is four enormous beds that have to be weeded. At the moment each bed takes me up to two hours. Should I turn the soil over and bury the weeds, knock off their heads with a deft swing of my hoe, or get

down on hands and knees and pluck

Yours faithfully, C. L. KIRCH Avalon School Caldy Road, West Kirby, Wirral. April 18.

each weed out individually?

BDs in EL

From Mrs Elizabeth Mostyn-Owen Sir, Among bizarre developments (BDs) in the English language (EL) in this part of London are many signs bearing RAs (redundant apostrophes). Occasionally we also get the missing apostrophe (MA). A remainder bookshop proclaims, "Discount Books and CD's. Just cant resist!". A few yards away is "Foto's in one hour". You can buy "potatoe's" and even "book's" and have your hair permed on "Mon. Wed. and Thur's". Perhap's there are other's. Who know's?

Yours faithfully. ELIZABETH MOSTYN-OWEN, 38 Ladbroke Square, WII. April 13.

From Mr H. T. Sowden

Sir. The comments by Dr Robert Baker (letters, April 10) about UICs (unnecessary inverted commas) lead me to wonder whether they are ever necessary. After all, the Authorised Version of the Bible gets along very nicely without them.

Yours faithfully. HARRY SOWDEN. Larch Cottage, Pilgrims Close, Westhumble, Dorking, Surrey,

VIVA ESPAÑA

In spite of fires, drought, strikes, and threats of sabotage, the Expo world fair opens on time today. Mañana has arrived at last. The greatest international show of national commerce and kitsch on earth may not be perfect or quite ready. How could it be? Out of the crooked vinyl and glass of humanity no straight thing can ever be made. But what has been achieved in so short a time on the island site in the Guadalquivir is spectacular, and a triumph for the corner of Spain that Europe once bypassed.

Many of the new buildings, opposite the old Seville of Don Juan and Carmen, flaunt the witty national flavours of postmodernist architecture. The British pavilion, with its shining steel and glass and wall of cooling water, seems to be a success, though the contents of the exhibit sound less well selected. A large Docklands pub is not the most imaginative symbol for modern England, even though the barmaids may serve suitably lukewarm bitter and ethnic Cockney banter. Marks & Spencer is a national treasure: but the virtue of blessed St Michael's products is that they are sound and good value, for everyday wear, not for

display in pseudo-Classical showcases. The exhibits of science and engineering are pedestrian by Science Museum standards, and the souvenir shop would be tacky even in Oxford Street. The British are curiously snooty about commerce and about blowing their trade trumpet abroad. There must be more to modern Britain than pubs. elegant but old-fashioned china dolls, and the best underwear and socks in the world.

But other countries are offering equally cockeyed self-images. New Zealand presents itself as a rockery with plastic seaguils; Switzerland serves an unfinished feast with plates bearing the remains of real food frozen in varnish; and several countries are represented by business-park sheds, "customised

with traditional details". The Great Exhibition of 1851 in Hyde Park, with Paxton's Crystal Palace, was described as "a symbol of universal happiness and brotherhood", which was putting it a bit strong, even in those rose-tinted days. These international exhibitions are a funny mixture of commerce, national propaganda, and honeypot for tourists who enjoy crowds. The ones that succeeded best were the earliest, when king Ahasuerus in the book of Esther showed off "the riches of his glorious kingdom, and the honour of his excellent majesty, many days, even a hundred and four-score days", and when the Venetians displayed their wealth in 1268, with a water fète, a procession of the trades, and an

industrial exhibition. But the world was wider and more wonderful in those far-off days. Expo 1992 is giving Seville and the southwestern tip of Europe the modern communications they have needed since Spain was the springboard into the New World five centuries ago. It deserves to draw the crowds; and, for those who do not like crowds, it is a public warning to choose another year to visit romantic old Andalusia. It welcomes Spain's arrival into modern Europe and liberal democracy with a fiesta, not a siesta.

Iranian election From Mr A. Aghvami

Sir, The Society of Iranian Academics would like to address some issues in your leading article of April 13. "Moderating the mullahs".

Experience has proved that muilahs cannot, because of their belief and understanding of Islam, become non-radical. Islam is a religion with strict rules and there is no domain for open discussion and modifications. Its followers are totally dedicated to Islam and consider it as the ultimate rule that should control the

It is irrelevant whether non-believers agree with this fanatical view or not; the fact is that the rules do not allow their followers to be moderate in their thinking. It is therefore incorrect to think that President Rafsanjani of Iran or anyone else

who belongs to that faction of society can ever be a moderate reformer. Your leader believes that "President Rafsanjani's landslide victory in

Iran is one of the most significant in

the recent rash of elections around the world". "Election" has a fixed definition

and concept in the world of democracy: there must be several political parties willing to participate candidates must not be intimidated; voting must not be conditioned by any undemocratic actions such as receiving coupons for rationed goods, travelling abroad, and enrolment of children at schools, etc. Iran does not have any political parties and candidates must be approved by several councils gov-

Moreover, it is understood that only 13 million out of 30 million eligible voters took part. You deduce that "the election results show the moderates winning a greater share of the vote than ... forecast". Even if we do not consider

the above points, and accept that the

erned by fundamentalist clergy.

Letters to the editor should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be sent to a fax mumber (071) 782 5046.

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COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE April 18: The Prince Edward, Patron, the Scottish Badminton Union, today visited Glasgow and was received by Councillor John Young (Deputy Lieutenant of the City of Glasgow). His Royal Highness attended

the finals of the Pilkington Glass European Badminton Championships at the Kelvin Hall, and later attended the Champion-ships Dinner at the Moat House International Hotel, Glasgow. Lieutenant Colonel Sean O'Dwyer was in attendance.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Johann Agricola, theologian, Eisleberg, Germany, 1494; Napoleon III, emperor of the French 1852-70, Paris, 1808; Adolph Hitler, Branau am Inn. Austria, 1889; Joan Miró, painter, Barcelona, 1893; Sir Donald Wolfit, actor, Newark,

DEATHS: Eliza Barton, the "Maid of Kent", executed, London, 1534; Canaletto, painter, Venice, 1768; Pontiac, chief of the Ottawa Indians, Cahokia, Illinois, 1769; Bram Stoker, writer, author of *Dracula*, London, 1912.

The massacre of the Jews by the Germans in the Warsaw ghetto,

Steaming ahead

The Bluebell Railway in Sussex began running regular train ser-vices to New Coombe Farm Bridge this weekend after Department of Transport inspectors approved the laying of two more nules of texts.

Marriage Mr N.A. Gilberthorpe

The marriage took place on Saturday, April 18, 1992, at St Jude's Church, Randwick, Sydney, between Mr Norman Arthur Gilberthorpe, of Melbourne, Victoria, Australia, only son of the late Arthur Hadwen and Doris Gilberthorpe, and Ms Marylyn Hopkinson, of Preston, Lan-cashire, England, elder daughter of the late John Ronald Sharples and Mrs Eileen Sharples, of Preston, Lancashire, England. The Rev Canon S.B. Babbage

A reception was held at the San Francisco Grill, The Hilton, Syd-ney, and the honeymoon will be spent in Tasmania, Paris and New York.

Appointment

Sir Peter de la Billière to be trustee of the Imperial War Mu-seum in succession to Air Chief Marshal Sir Peter Terry, who resigned in December 1991.

Monks join battle to curb bee parasite

THE life's work of a monk who has become internationally renown as a bee keeper is under threat from a parasite which could devastate honey production in Britain.

Brother Adam, 93, has dedicated his life to improving bee strains and his work at the 320 hives at Buckfast Abbey, in south Devon, has been acclaimed throughout the world. He has earned the abbey huge royalties by deveiand, ironically, much of his recent work has concentrated on trying to find a solution to the mite Varroa jacobonsi which is now threatening Britain's bees.

The abbey said this week-end that its hives were being tested for varroa infestation and the Ministry of Agriculture confirmed that the bees are subject to a ban on being moved.

originated in the Far East. living parasitically of local bees. In the late Seventies it began to travel across the world. Having devastated colonies in parts of the Continent, varroa was detected for the first time in Britain earlier this month in two colonies near Dartmoor. A 40-mile restriction zone was set up which stopped apiarists moving bees or hives without a licence. On Wednesday, after Ministry of Agriculture inspectors reported 36 cases of infestation in Devon, the en-

tire county was put under an emergency standstill notice. Abbot Leo, who is temporarily looking after the ab-bey's hives, which have been built up since 1910, said: We are very worried about it. but varroa is here and we must cope with it as they do

on the Continent."

Andrew Matheson, director of the International Bee Research Association in Cardiff, said that the restriction was unlikely to halt the spread of the mite which would seriously affect bee col-"It is fair to say from experience that eventually it will spread right through Britain. By the time it is spotted by bee keepers it has already spread too far for it to be contained or eradicated. Bee keepers will have to use some form of varroa control or their bee colonies will die."

Mr Matheson said the mite could be fought with chemicals and management techniques such as creating a break in the brood rearing. "Chemicals won't eradicate it but can reduce the numbers and the impact. The only way to spot the mite is to have an programme."

He said that the spread of the disease could affect the profitability of honey production because of the cost of chemicals and the labour involved in fighting the

Nature notes

SPRING migrants are coming in steadily, though rather late this year. The first cuck-oos are back, calling loudly: they are often mobbed by small birds, when they glide off with their strange flight, in which their wings never rise above the horizontal. Sometimes their call echoes from a far hillside. First nightingales are back: they sing in overgrown copses and roadside thickets, and have two particularly remarkable passages in their song, a rich, rapid chortle and a slow, dreamy

Resident British birds have begun breeding unobtrusive-ly, and blackbirds, robins and hedge sparrows can all be found with small young in the

Both of the common kinds of buttercup are coming into flower, the smooth-stalked meadow buttercup, and more widely the bulbous buttercup



turned-down sepals. Bluebell buds are poised to open and by next weekend there should be plenty in flower in the

They often grow with wild garlic, or ramsons, which has two large shiny leaves and a spray of sparkling white flowers. Cuckoo-flower, or lady's smock, is out in the fields. often near a stream: it has a head of light pink, cruciform blossoms. More butterflies are chasing each other along the hedgerows, as the small and large whites emerge from the chrysalis.

DEATHS

Land, you are my too least east you I thall stake your name, for you have done wonderful things. Veteran royal car on show

A 91-year-old electric car used by Queen Alexandra to drive round the 80 acres of grounds at Sandringham was yesterday put on display by the Queen for the sixmonth summer tourist season on the Royal estate in Norfolk.

The Columbia Electric, an American-built car, was fitted with a foot-operated bell instead of a horn. The car was popular for use in London and other cities at the turn on the century.

It is the latest exhibit in a museum which houses royal cars, including the limousine used by the Princess Royal when a kidnap attempt was made on her in 1974.

BIRTHS

ALLARDYCE - On April 6th 1992, our seventh anniversary, to Deborah mée Hubbard and James, a beautiful daughler. Evelyn Tania, a sister for James Lawrence, May Ood blass them both silvasys.

BLACKLOCK · On April 17th at Bath, to Curelyn & Jena-than a son Rory 14ths.

HUNTER - On April 17th in BMH Incriols in Sera look Loudoun) and John, a son, Angus John, a brother for Tunk WILSON - On April 16th, at Hereford County Hospital, to Juliette (née Walker) and William a son, Samuel William Geraint.

BSLL - On April 17th, John Lowrey devoted son, hus-issed and father, funeral it St Mary's Grizham, Wednes-day April 22nd 1.30pm. BODNAR - On April 14th Oddn, much loved father and grandfather, peacefully after a short liness. Funeral service at Hungarian Reformed Churc. 17 St Dunstan's Road, London, We at time a surel 24th. at ipro on April 24th.

BUCKMASTER On April 17th pesceluly in Forest How. Li Col Matures James O.B.E. Legion of Honour, withower of Arms. Lather of Michael, Sphil and Mary, step-father of Herriet and grandfather. Funeral service at Hoty Trisilly Church. Forest New on Friday April 24th at 10.30sm. Family flowers only please. A Thankegiving service will be held later in Lendon date to be amoutocest. Enquiries R Mechurat F/D Hartfield 0692 770265

CONSTANTINE On April 16th 1992, Air Chief Mar-stal Sir Hugh (Corune). span au rings income, suddenly but peacefully in London, most beloved and adoring husband of Helen and much loved latter and grandfather of Justy-June and Marcus. Cremation priand Marcia. Crestation pri-cate. Thanks giving service at St. Clement Danes. Central Church of the Royal Air Force. Strand. London, on Wednesday. April 29th at 12

HUNTER - On April 17th 1992, at The Pilgrum Hospital, Soston. After a short lilness. Doctor John Craig Alexander Uack) much loved husband of Alison, faither of John and Kay, and Grandpa to Craig, Neil, Rebecca. Abligati and Hamish. Service of Thanksgiving at All Saints Church. Holbanch. Lines. on Friday April 24th, at Apm., Denations. If you like to Helboach Hospital, either at the service, or c/o Ervan Ashley, Barclays Sank. Holbench, Spaiding, Lines.

RHODES On April 17th, 1992 Frances (Francesca), peacefully in her sleep, of Azminster. Devon, Much loved by her husband Greville, stepchildren, relations and hosts of friends. Privale cremation, Donations to the R.N.L.B., may be sent to W. G. Potter Funerals. William Potter House. 1

PERSONAL APPEARS IN LIFE & TIMES

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SHELDON - On April 17th 1992 at home after a brave battle against cancer. Anne Patricia inte Vicars - Milest much loved friend of hushand Mike, sons David and Peter and many, many more. She wished no flowers, letter or mourning but donations for Cancer Research and Care c/o-Nicholas O'Hara Funeral Director 36 Rowlands Hill, Wimborns Dorset BH21 1AW. Funeral Service at Poole Cramatorium on Transages 23rd April at 2pm.

wilson on Agril 16th peccasidly at The Cramera House Nursing Home Harrogate. Wilson (6m) aged 82 years formerly of Littlethorpe on Thursday April 23rd at 10.30em followed by private cremation. Family flowers only please.

IN MEMORIAM -

Cavid Watter, died April 20th 1987. Forever loved.

MERCURY - On 24/11/91 Freddle, deepest love on this special day from a Liverpool law.

PERSONAL APPEARS IN

Vatican address

Pope makes Easter appeal for peace

FROM PAUL BOMPARD IN VATICAN CITY

THE Pope yesterday appealed for peace in the many troubled regions of the world. and asked of the thousands gathered in St Peter's Square and the millions watching on television, "How can we fail to remember the tragedy through which the peoples of Bosnia Herzegovina and Nagorni Karabakh are

living?" In his traditional Easter message, he also called on the nations of Europe who are in the process of affirming, in the changing of political systems, your own particular characteristics ... never to base security on the force of arms". The Pope also asked for peace in Africa, Asia and the Middle East.

After saying Easter mass under an awning outside St Peter's, the Pope gave his traditional Urbi et Orbi message from the balcomy high in the centre of the magnificent baroque façade

of the world's largest church. After days of rain, a brilliant sun shone on about 100,000 faithful and tourists gathered in the colonnaded piazza. which for Easter was decorated with 100,000 flowers brought from Holland.

After reiterating the story of Christ's death and resurrection with quotations from the books of Luke, John and Corinthians, the Pontiff commemorated the discovery and subsequent evangelisation of the American continent. "which brought the witnesses of the Risen One to peoples whose very existence was hitherto unknown".

At the close of the Urbi et Orbi message, the Pope wished a happy Easter and peace in 55 different languages, a tradition born with Pope Pius XII and radio broadcasts and increasingly cultivated by his successors.

Jihad fears, page 7

Computers take puzzle out of crossword clues

By NIGEL HAWKES, SCIENCE EDITOR

CROSSWORD solvers bewildered by a particularly cryptic clue may soon be able to get help from a computer pro-

Two researchers at the computer science department at Heriot-Watt University in Edinburgh, Malcolm Hart and Hunter Davis, have described their program in the journal Information and Software Technology. They admit that it would be impossible to solve all types of clue electronically, so they have concentrated on six distinctive types that are common and reasonably easy to spot in

cryptic crosswords.

These are anagrams, where letters have to be recombined to form the solution; reversals, where the solution is concealed backwards in the clue: enciosures, where the answer is found by sandwiching a subsidiary word between the outermost letters of the solution; hidden words, where the answer is concealed

clue; double synonyms, in which each half of the clue gives the same answer, and insertions, where the solution is formed by fitting one word inside another. Mr Hart analysed the clues and compiled dictionaries of

key words, such as "broken" or "rearranged" which imply anagrams, and widely used abbreviations such as learner (i) hole (o) and street (st). The program identifies the key words in the clues and

analyses the clues grammati-cally, before comparing what it has found against rules in the software for each type of cryptic clue. It then prints a report offering possible interpretations of the clue.

The program is not meant to spoil the fun of the cross-word solver, nor is it likely to defeat those who can complete crosswords as quickly as they can write the answers down. "This program was simply an intellectual exercise for computer scientists." Dr amongst the letters of the. Davis told New Scientist.

Birthdays today

53: the Right Rev F.C. Darwent, Bishop of Aberdeen and Orinny, 65; Major-General Sir Charles Dunphie, 90; the Earl of Erroll, 44; Professor Francis Fish, for-mer dean, School of Pharmacy, London University, 68; Mr Graeme Fowler, cricketer, 35; Sir Arrold Errore, former the inver-Arnold France, former chairman. Board of Inland Revenue, 81; Mr John Eliot Gardiner, conductor, 49: Mr Mauricio Gugelmin, racing driver, 29; Sir Antony Jay,

Viscount Allenby, 61; Professor
D.W. Bowert, QC, former president, Queen's College, Cambridge, 65; Mr Ray Brooks, actor, hust, actor, 31; Mr Leslie Phillips, actor, 66: Sir Hilton Poynton, civil servant, 87; Sir John Quicke, agriculturist, 70; Mr R.D.W. Rhodes, headmaster, Mr R.D.W. Rhodes, headmaster, Rossall School, Lancashire, 50: Mr Christopher Robinson, or-ganist, 56; Professor G.O. Sayles, historian, 91; Mr R.J. Smith, chairman, Trimoco, 53; Miss Jean Southworth, QC, 66; Air Marshal Sir Richard Wakeford. 70; Mr Henry Wrong, former director, Barbican Centre, 62.

after being beaten to their objective by Amundaen, the Norwegian explorer.

then even a coat of emulsion.

Ms Stewart added: "The box-

es of plates were prepared before he left but I think the

feeling was that by the time

the party had travelled

through the heat of the trop-

ics and into the extreme cold of the Antarctic the plates

would have gone through so many variations of tempera-

twe that the chance of them

retaining any of the qualities

they were supposed to have

This was the only type of colour commercially avail-

able in those days and he

must have been testing it at its

absolute limit. I don't think

anybody else was using them

under such extreme condi-

tions. They are remarkable

Five of the pictures are me-

ticulously dated, one labelled in pencil, 6pm, April 11, 1911. Two others bear details

of the lenses used, 11 ½ in and 14 in. Although not altogeth-

er satisfied with the results

Ponting wrote modestly later:

ing records of after glows with

Ponting was not included in Scott's four-man assault

party on the Pole, but his

picture come onto the market

only five weeks after the eight-ieth anniversary of their

death on the homeward trek

was minimal.

EUVIVELS.

these plates."

Seeking a Christianity beyond national barriers

Fred Catherwood

little old lady a pamphlet on Europe. She looked at it, "Maggie's quite right, we should never have gone in!" I asked her what Britain would do for friends in a rough world. She said: "We don't need any friends. We've always been alone." I said that it was just as well that we had some friends in the last war. "We were all alone in 1940 and if we'd stayed alone the whole war, we'd

A PREVIOUSLY unknown

cache of photographs has

been found to contain seven

unique colour transparencies

from Captain Scott's ill-fated

expedition to the Antarctic in

They were taken on 5in by 7in glass plates by Herbert Ponting (1871-1935), official photographer to the expedi-

tion, and were the first colour

pictures of the polar

The fragile plates will be sold together with 38 of his

black and white transparen-

cies, at Christie's in London

on May 7. The colour studies

lieved to be the most valuable

instrument in the world,

leaves Budapest at the end of

this month for London, where

The piano, given to the composer by Thomas Broad-

the piano firm, in 1818, has

been insured for £5 million

for the six weeks it is to be

away from the National Mu-

seum of Hungary. Lars Tharp, of Sotheby's

music department, said the

instrument was priceless.
"Five million could be an

underestimate of what some-

one would be prepared to pay

it was made 175 years ago.

1910-12.

landscape.

have licked the lot of them!" She is not alone. I tried to persuade another determined lady that she should think of the Channel Tunnel as a cure for sea sickness. She was not impressed. "It's the rape of England!"

There are others who say that they've always hated the French. "They're our natural enemies." You feel that they'd be happy to fight Napoleon all over again. Anyone who doubts the existence of English nationalism should read the sneering tabloid comments on anyone and anything across the Channel. Our continental friends — for they

On a windy day in the market of a small Fenland town I offered a alism when they hear it and understand why we do not. Europe lost 50 million dead in the twentieth century's two nationalist wars and almost every country was occupied at one time or another by foreign armies. Britain, alone of the belligerents, remained free and, in the second and bloodiest war, the killing fields were elsewhere. The English Channel was our defence. So, in continental eyes we retain the illusion of invulnerability and the innocent be-

Young tennis players hold up their rackets as Stefan Edberg, the world number two, and Annette

Olsen leave after their marriage in Vaxio Cathedral, Sweden, on Saturday

Lost Scott pictures go for auction

BY JOHN SHAW

The pictures were taken at

Cape Evans early in 1911.

Lindsey Stewart, consultant

to the firm's photographic department, said: They are

the only colour images known

to have survived from the

expedition and are reputedly

early autochrome process on

plates supplied free by the Lumiere Brothers of Lyons

who only introduced their

process in 1907. The photo-graphic plate was covered with tiny grains of starch dyed in primary colours of

orange, green and violet and

mixed up like a thorn bush in

a gale". After Beethoven's death the

piano was bought for Liszt, who bequeathed it to the Bu-

dapest Museum. Broadwood

has recently restored the

be a concert at the Barbican,

London, and a recital and

concert at the Bath Festival,

before the piano returns to

Budapest in the middle of June. Proceeds go to charity,

including the Beethoven Fund for Deaf Children.

£400,000, has been spon-

sored by Thorn-EMI.

The operation, costing

Instrument

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come of his best."

will be in three lots estimated

at between £1,500-£2,000 and £5,000-£7,000.

also includes a large exhibi-

tion quality print of the pho-

tographer's well-known

portrait of Scott in his study.

It comes from another owner

and is estimated at between

Ponting is famous for his dramatic black and white pic-

tures of the majestic but sav-

age terrain. His colour work is much more subtle showing

delicate sunsets and the after-

glow effects before the onset of the polar winter.

Beethoven's piano returns

for it if it came to auction," he

Described by a contempo-

rary Viennese arts journal as

possibly the most perfect

Grand Piano Forte ever con-

structed", it was Beethoven's

pride and joy. He took it with

allowed only a few favoured

pianist friends to play it. The

instrument, though, took a

hammering from its owner

as he strove to extract sounds

After six years in the mas-

ter's ownership, his friend Stumpff said the instrument

had ano sound left in the

treble and broken strings

audible to his deaf ears.

E800-E1,200.

By coincidence, the sale

lief that we can play with the fire of nationalism without being burnt. Of course the churches should have prevented the rise of the mili-tant nationalism which led to so much bloodshed. The apostle Paul taught that there should be no racial barrier within the Christian church "all one in Christ Jesus". The apostle John had the heavenly vision of every tribe, race, nation and language. If we are good enough for God's company, we should be good enough for each other. And whatev-

er the faults of the church in medi-

LANIGAN - On April 16th, 1992 in peace and with cour-age, Jean Anne Sanderson most dearly loved wife of Denis and mother of Mark

Denis and mother of Mark and Kala. From San Francisco, to Paris to Rome. Germany, New York and London, her love is spread. A Funeral Service will be held at the West Chapet, Golders Green Crematurium, NW11. at 11am on Friday April 24th Family flowers only please. Donations idndly received for the Insperial Cancer Research Fund or Ossiam.

the warring tribes into Christendom and argue with principalities and powers for a common · Christian moral base to laws and customs. Erasmus came to Queens' College, Cambridge without a passport or work permit and communicated with his fellow-scholars in a common European language — Latin — which was still compulsory in my day for Cambridge entry.

They were following Jesus's exam-ple. He had repudiated the nationalism of his own time and pointed his followers in another direction. Indeed the Roman governor, Pilate, found him innocent of the nationalism with which he was charged. Peter baptised the Roman centurion, Cornelius, and the fieroest opponent of the new church. Saul of Tarsus, was converted and took the Christian gospel first to Asia and then to Europe. Had Paul taken the same attitude to Europe as some of our defensive nationalists. the Christian faith - the most dynamic ingredient of our history and culture - would have been missing. The Christian (aith must be outward looking. The last command of 2,000 years, Christianity has Jesus to his followers was to carry the prevailed. faith to all nations. "teaching them to obey everything I have command-

ed you. Part of this "everything" is the Christian respect for the individual, which as it has permeated society and politics has been interpreted as democratic government under the rule of law. Another part is freedom of speech, without which democracy cannot function and the Christian message is stifled. A third part is toleration which springs from faith. Nationalism and racialism are

defensive, an embattled people gathering together inside the laager trusting only those of their race and colour, "ourselves alone" against the outside world. The Christian faith has no need to

be defensive. We trust in God the creator, omniscient and all-power-ful. Jesus promised that the Christian kingdom would be like a tiny mustard-seed, growing into a great tree in which the fowls of the air would shelter. So it has proved. In the battle for minds and hearts over

The European Community, following the second and most terrible nationalist war, has nailed to its masthead democracy, the rule of law, freedom of speech and toleration, the ideals developed by a confi-dent Christian faith. Gradually, within Europe, the autocratic regimes have fallen. Greece, Spain and Portugal are now all democracies. And, unbelievably, the last great autocracy, the Soviet Union, has fallen, not to a military coup d'etat, but to these ideals of democracy and the rule of law.

We in Britain should be leaders of this process, doing all we can to make democracy stick and encourage the new republics to cooperate on the pattern of the European Community. Britain is the mother of democracy and we should continue in Europe to set an example that others can follow. Sir Fred Catherwood is a Member

of the European Parliament and author of Pro-Europe? published by

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HOLDERNESS

(b) A notable pack of English foxhounds, whose country lies in Yorkshire. The hunt dates from 1726 and the country now constituted has existed since 1765. It is thus one of the older established hunts in Britain.

(a) A spar used in sailing ships to extend the heads of foreand aft sails which are not set on stays, from the French gaffe, a boat-hook: "In the schooner both the mainsail and foresail are extended by a boom and gaff." PASGANG

(b) In ski-touring particularly, the term denotes a technique of striding in which a kick forward is accompanied by a push forward on the pole on the same side of the body.

(a) A buildighter's term for a built hat is easy to work with: that is he follows the movements of the cape and charges straight and bravely, from the Spanish word for buoyant, which also means bucky and easy.

Colonel Maurice Buckmaster. OBE head of the 'independent 11, 19612

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OBITUARIES

FRANKIE HOWERD

Frankie Howerd, OBE. comedian, died yesterday. He was believed to be aged 71. Born in York, his birth date has been quoted as March 17, 1921, but he may well have been born four years earlier.

FRANKIE Howerd was born to be funny. His forlorn, elongated face, like a bloodhound that had mislaid its bone, the expressive bushy eyebrows. the loose, unco-ordinated limbs plus a lightning wit. sustained him for almost 50 years as one of our foremost post-war comedians. His secret was that he appealed to all sections of society. His bawdy one-liners, his ability to extract sexual innuendo from the most innocent seeming remark with a purse of the lips or a lift of an eyebrow, were guaranteed to convulse his countless housewife fans of a certain age. Yet time and again throughout his switch-back career he was taken up or 'rediscovered' by a new generation including the more thoughtful among them who saw something deeper in his shrewder side-swipes at Howerd's highly-strung in-

security as a stand-up per-former was with him all his life and showed itself in a nervous stammer on which he quickly learned to capitalise. Many of his enduring catch phrases quoted nationwide were the result of this hesitancy. They were delivered as imaginary interruptions of some joke or humorous narrative: "Ah yer... Well... No. lis-sen! ... No. don't laugh... titter ye not...no, you mustn't...it's wicked to mock the afflicted..." and so on. And if the joke didn't get the laugh he anticipated, he would draw himself up in mock high dudgeon and roar: "Please yourselves!" At other times he would exhort his audience to loosen something and enjoy a good titter. "Let us not go home titterless," was another of his cries.

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On stage, Frankie Howerd, a long time favourite of the Queen Mother, was a comic of the old school who believed that the well tried lines were those best loved by his devoted audiences although they were usually sprinkled with new material being given a trial. It was a different story though, with radio, at which he excelled, and also, to some extent, his solo appearances on television when he would go to infinite pains to ensure there was fresh material on

Nevertheiess he had his favourite jokes. Typical was the one about two young mothers with new babies who meet.

"One mother looked at the other's baby and said. Oh isn't she small.' And the other mother replied, 'Oh, well, you see, I've only been married a

Frankie Howerd was born Francis Alick Howard - he was later to change his name to Howerd — the eldest son of Sergeant Frank Howard. Royal Artillery. The actual year of birth was a secret confided only to his passport. He and his family moved to Eltham, Kent, when his father was posted to Woolwich, south east London. He was educated at Gordon School and Shooter's Hill Grammar School and as a tall, thin, shy 13-year-old he became a Sunday school teacher. He first became interested in show business when he successfully starred in his church dramatic soci-ety's production of Ian Hay's Tilly of Bloomsbury.

His ambition to go on the stage stayed with him in spite of a disastrous RADA audition, and he bided his time working as an office clerk until he was called up for the war in 1940, training as a gunner. He was to sum up his stock-in-trade at that period of his life as. "...born of natural shortcomings and weaned on necessity during those years at Shoeburyness.

He failed to get into the entertainment corps ENSA (Entertainments National Service Association) or, as another war-time comic Tommy Trinder once described it, Every Night Something Awful, but ended his war service, after the ceasation of hostilities, running a concert party touring north west Germany. On demobilisation and with the unwavering encouragement of his mother and his sisters. he persevered as a funny man until in 1946 he was squeezed onto the bill of a revue at the Sheffield Empire as "Frankie Howerd, the Borderline

He began to develop his uniquely individual style of narrative or what he called his "one-man situational comedy" rather than the conventional reeling off of a string of unrelated jokes. The first of his catch phrases also emerged: "I was a-mazed!"..."Not on your Nellie!" and "What a furny woman!" And when referring to his supposedly deaf piano accompanist, "Poor soul —

At this stage he achieved national fame on radio in the popular Variety Bandbox here yet another of his phrases, "Ladies and gentlemen" was born. He was soon topping the bill of the still

flourishing variety theatres and in 1949 he appeared at Buckingham Palace: the following year he was on the bill of his first Royal Variety Performance. Recruiting Eric Sykes and Galton and Simpson - who later wrote Steptoe and Hancock's Half Hour - as his scriptwriters. his career took off and remained airborne for much of the next decade with more radio, annual pantomime and trips abroad entertaining the troops including one to Korea in 1952. He starred in films like The Runaway Bus. An Alligator Named Daisy. Jumping for Joy, The Lady-Watch It Sailor.

Frankie Howerd was not the world's greatest ad-libber and relied heavily on his scripts so that an appearance on the popular quiz show What's My Line proved dis-

appointing. But a television revival of Tons of Money proved successful and he scored a West End triumph at the Prince of Wales Theatre in 1953 starring in the revue Pardon My French, which ran for 759 performances. In 1955 he starred as Lord Fancourt Babberley in Charley's Aunt at the Globe Theatre followed two years later with another stage winner playing Bottom in A Midsummer Night's Dream at the Old Vic.

But his ever-shaky confidence was sapped in 1958 when the lavish and costly musical Mister Venus closed and recovery was not helped when he suffered a painful riding accident soon after. There followed the first of the slumps that were to occur during his career when in 1960-62 he counted himself

lucky to land a parttomime booking. Things brightened in 1963 when a new generation discovered him on the television satire show That Was the Week That Was. It was said that the producers wanted him as an exhibit of the last of the old music hall comics. Instead the canny Howerd outwitted them by putting together a cracker of an up-to-the-minute routine and stole the show. He landed the roles of Prologus and Pseudolus in the hit American musical set in ancient Rome. A Funny Thing Hap-pened on the Way to the Forum, which ran in the West that time he kept his name in front of the wider public with

sional television special. He starred on Broadway in 1968 at the Ethel Barrymore Theatre, as John Emery

two radio series and the occa-

Rockefeller in Rockefeller and the Red Indians, and in the early 1970s appeared in pantomime at the London Falladium. More films followed like The Great St Trinian's Train Robbery and Up Pompeii, which was a spin-off of his doubleentendre-laden television series in which he played the mournful slave Lurcio. At first the lecry nod-and-a-wink innuendoes caused some protest but his saucy music-hall delivery won over the pruder viewers and it became cult viewing, running to two series, both repeated. The even broader sequel Whoops Baghdad was less successful He was never afraid to experiment outside his field; he even tried opera, playing the drunken jailer Frosch in Die Fledermaus at the London Coliseum in 1982 as well as taking roles in Gilbert and Sullivan's Trial by Jury and HMS Pinafore. He played a number of Royal Command performances and was made an OBE in 1977. In 1986 he starred in a revival of A Funny Thing...both at the Chichester Festival and in the West

Frankie Howerd was accident prone. In 1987 he fell while walking in the country-side, injuring his leg and a surgeon warned him he might have to spend the rest of his life on crutches. He once fell from the balcony of his holiday hotel while admiring the view. In the 1990s he became the darling of the new generation of alternative comedy fans in yet another resurgence of his fluctuating career. He was persuaded to do a show at Barking Town Hall which he found packed with young people eager for his autograph, and last year he made a so-called rap record which climbed the pop music charts.

A lifelong bachelor, Howerd was a close friend of film actress Joan Greenwood for many years and was en-gaged in his adolescent years to a girl he first met at school although it came to nothing.

Frankie Howerd was complex personality nursing a mixture of doubts, some depression coupled with a powerful sense of ambition and deep philosophical integrity. He took his humour seriously and had put together a fine collection of books on the subject at his Kensington home. Beneath the insecurity that troubles many stand-up to presume to amuse an audience on their own, Frankie Howerd enjoyed his success. He was once asked for his favourite memory. He replied: "It hasn't happened

TEASY WEASY RAYMOND

"Teasy Weasy" Raymond, OBE, flamboyant hairdresser and race-horse owner, has died at his home in Berkshire aged 80. He was born of an Italian father and French mother in Soho.

BEFORE the swinging sixties had even begun Teasy Weasy Raymond had created himself, with the greatful assistance of the tabloid newspapers and television, as a larger than life celebrity, shining out in the grey days of post-war Britain. Television was bringing a more sophisti-cated lifestyle into the nation's homes and having their hair styled was an instant and economical way for women of all classes to add a touch of glarnour to their lives. Raymond was one of the first to combine the two to exploit the nationwide desire for a brighter more sophisticated With his neatly razored,

pencil-line moustache, his bouffant hair-style, daringly exotic style of dressing, his Rolls-Royces and racehorses, he set a slightly shocking standard which had the public agog. As well as being a good hair-stylist he was a master of self promotion, be-coming known as Teasy Weasy after a kiss-curl style he created which he said was named after one of his cats. In bringing celebrity status to hair-styling he set the stan-dards. Vidal Sassoon, the ce-lebrity hair-stylist of a slightly later period, called him "The Gov nor".

Raymond was christened Raymondo Pietro Carlo and first worked in his father's barber's shop, making mous-taches from clippings left on the floor. But he always yearned for stardom. He played the violin, but not as well as a fellow musician named Mantovani, and longed to become an actor but failed to be discovered. He also tried wrestling at £5 a bout but then took a more genteel path, opening his first hairdressing salon in Mayfair at the age of 26, just prior to the second world war.

His customers soon included the Duchess of Windsor, Gertrude Lawrence, Googie Withers and Valerie Hobson. His innovations included introducing a champagne rinse and coloured wigs. When Vivian Leigh went to Hollywood to star in Gone With the Wind Raymond joined her to style her hair.

Pursuing his love of horseracing he wore a pastel col-oured morning suit to Ascot and when, thus attired, he was refused entry to the royal enclosure he designed himself a Georgian style morning suit in silver grey and black. As an owner he won the Grand National twice with Ayala in 1963 and Rag Trade in

At the height of his success, when he had a chain of 34 hairdressing salons, he suffered a collapse of his health and a series of personal misfortunes. First came a heart attack in 1962, followed nine years later by cancer of the mouth, necessitating surgery which left him with severely impaired speech. Then in 1979 his pregnant daughter Amber, her husband Stephen Chase Gardner and their two sons were killed in a motor-way crash after attending a family wedding.

Rayond is survived by his second wife, Rosalie, whom he married in 1965, and two daughters. Cherry and



COLONEL MAURICE BUCKMASTER

Germans to distract their attention

from other undercover operations.

Maurice James Buckmaster was

educated at Eton and made an early

intellectual mark by teaching

French to those only a few years

younger than himself who were try-

ing to pass Common Entrance. This

natural talent for languages was to

set the pattern for the rest of his life.

As a young man he worked on

France-Soir and then, from 1923-

29, for the merchant bankers J.

Henry Schroder & Co before becom-

ing publicity manager, then manag-

er of the Ford motor company's

French operation and, 1936-39

When the second world war

began he was commissioned into

the Intelligence Corps and was one

of the last officers to be evacuated

from the French coast near Dun-

kirk. His linguistic skills - he had

by then perfected German - made

head of its European department.

Colonel Maurice Buckmaster. OBE, head of the "independent French" or F section of the Special Operations Executive from 1941 to 1945, died on April 17 aged 90. He was born on January 11, 1902.

AS SPYMASTER of the French Section of the Special Operations Executive it was Maurice Buckmaster's task to organise the activities of the British agents sent to spy, carry out sabotage and recruit resistance groups in occupied France. This had to be done without the advantage of being able to make use of such Frenchmen as succeeded in escaping from France, for although the SOE worked alongside the Free French movement they were entirely separate. It was regarded as remarkable that the SOE was able to find more than 150 British officers whose Fench was good enough for them to be passed off as Frenchmen and who had, at the same time, the courage and capacity for such hazardous tasks. Among the more famous of SOE's recruits were Odette Hallowes, who was tortured by the Germans and awarded the George Cross, and Violette Szabo, who received a posthumous George Cross after being tortured and shot by the Germans in Ravensbruck in 1945.

Every care was taken to ensure that the individual agents knew only what was necessary to enable them to carry out their particular task. Buckmaster alone had to contrive to know, from London, what was going on in every district of France. There was no easy system of passwords to establish camaraderie between one agent and another. Although the special agents themselves undertook many specific jobs of sabotage, they sought, on the whole, to get the French to work for themselves, thereby enabling them to light for their self-respect as well as their freedom, while at the same time the agents showed, by their presence, that they were willing to share the peril and to aid them to do the utmost with arms and other materials. Nearly everywhere the response was magnificent - the great problem became how to con-

trol them. The cost of the SOE's cloak and dagger activities was high. Out of



some 400 agents operating under Buckmaster's command in more than 80 networks, 117 were killed many of them being tortured

beforehand. Years after the war Buckmaster and the SOE came under attack at home. Accusations were made in 1958 that the SOE had been run in an amateurish manner, that it was infiltrated by German intelligence, that it suffered betrayals which led to the arrest of many men and women, and that these shortcomings had been deliberately concealed. Buckmaster responded by saying that the SOE was no more amateurish than many other wartime units. He confirmed that the Germans had penetrated one important reseau but said this was only one of about 50. He described as monstrous and categorically denied the allegation that 47 British agents had deliberately been dropped to the

staff officer in F Section and then as head of the Belgian section and from December 1941, as Head of F His knowledge of France and the French, his gift of leadership, immense energy and enthusiasm, in-

him a natural candidate for the

highly specialised work of the SOE

into which he was co-opted first as a

stinctive love of people and. ultimately, his extraordinary capacity for achieving what he believed to be right, made him an effective leader of what was a critical area of operations and proved to be one of the greatest thorns in the side of the Nazis. It was said that Hitler so reviled Buckmaster that he had put him as the third person on a target list if the German invasion of Britain had gone ahead. Buckmaster's critics complained

that he found it hard to delegate. had no first hand experience of the clandestine life of his agents and favoured some agents above others. He certainly had favourites and was equally highly regarded by them. Buckmaster was that sort of man.

His fierce and sometimes uncompromising loyalty to his own peoplecould at times upset and irritate the military establishment. He was four rungs down the SOE ladder of command and the SOE system was such that officers, like Buckmaster. who commanded "country sections" had to be left to make most of their own decisions about men and measures, within broad outlines laid down from above, and often in dangerous ignorance of each other's

One of the sections with which he had to liaise, representing the Gaullists, regarded F Section as a tiresome rival. Indeed, de Gaulie was openly critical of F Section. But the SOE maintained Fs separate identity, in spite of de Gaulle's protests.

Such political ripples undoubtedly contributed to the fact that the OBE was the sole British honour accorded to Buckmaster, inadequate recognition of his contribution to the war effort. The French were later to make him an Officier of the Legion d'Honneur and streets were named after him in France.

Running any of the SOE sections was an intensive and 24 hour a day task. By the summer of 1944, in spite of a determined effort by the Gestapo to suppress them all in the previous winter and spring, about half of the reseaux were still operational. Their strength and breadth of operation caused severe disruption to vital German military movements to the north at the time of the D-Day landings and they gave invaluable assistance to the advancing allied armies.

After D-day all SOE's forces in France were amalgamated under General Koenig, who had Buck-master as one of his three chiefs of staff. Following his demobilisation, Buckmaster returned to work for the Ford motor company — this time in Britain — and became head of the company's public relations department, serving a number of chief executives before moving to London where he became a public relations consultant. His love affair with France continued and in 1961 he was invited by the governing body of the Champagne industry to represent them in London. He held this

post until the early 1980s. Buckmaster appeared as himself in Herbert Wilcox's film Odette in which Anna Neagle played the lead-ing role. Their friendship lasted the rest of her lifetime. He published two books on the Resistance, presenting F Section's work in semifictionalised form; indeed, while he was happy and at ease to talk about certain aspects of his work during that critical period of history, he maintained a reluctance to reveal any "secrets".

Failing health prevented him travelling to Annecy for the unveiling in May 1991 of a memorial to the Resistance, attended by the Queen Mother, who wrote a note reflecting her personal sadness at his absence. It was a very personal touch that reflected the affection felt for Buckmaster by the royal family during the second world war.

From his first marriage he had a son and two daughters and he married again in 1944, a marriage that was to last more than 40 years until he was widowed in 1988. There were no children of this marriage. Although a man of his time.

Buckmaster had that rare quality of inspiring affection and respect. none less than among the young French people he met each year ar the annual Resistance reunion in

April 20 ON THIS DAY

comedies of manners written by Frederick Lonsdale (1881– 1954) which were very successful in the inter-war years. On Approval ran for over 450 performances and The Last of Mrs Cheyney for aver 500. Lonsidale also wrote the libretto of the highly popular musical The Maid of the Mountains.

This was one of a series of

FORTUNE THEATRE "ON APPROVAL"

By Frederick Lonsdale

George, 12th Duke of Bristol. is, to be brief, a cad, but he can smile as disarmingly as Mr Ronald Squire; Mrs Wislack is, to be as brief as gallantry permits — for our language wants the perfect monosyllable, his feminine counterpart, but she can cloak her abominable. behaviour with the glitter of Miss Ellis Jeffreys. Are we to believe that Helen, a girl of charm and taste, is in love with George, or that Richard, de-voted little vulgarian though he is, has been for 20 years

These are plainly psychologi-cal fibs, but their plainness has been gilded by Mr Lonsdale. In any case, who cares for truth? It is of the essence of good farce that it lifts you to a plane of absurd existence where there is no longer need to believe anything. What a gay, irresponsible existence it proves to be when in the theatre we anain to it! And if truth, which belongs to comedy, dares now and then in the course of an evening given over to delightful nonzerse to poke its nose through the frail fantastic fabric, what a rent it

enslaved by Maria?

seems to make

the truth. Helen's house in Mayfair, though it has an outward aspect of comedy, belongs to farce as genuinely as Maria's house in Scotland. In one Maria suggests an experi-mental month with Richard so that she may see whether she howes him; in the other the experiment, with Helen and the Duke drawn in as guests, is carried out. Of course Maria, though she doesn't guess it, is as selfish, as cruel, as concrited as the Duke himself, and it is clear to Helen, and ultimately even to Richard, that the only cure for them is to "tell them off and, metaphorically, knock their heads together. Helen and Richard escape while the snow still permits escape; Maria and the Duke are left snowed-up, isolated, raving. After a few weeks of it. says farce the liar, they will be reformed characters whom Richard and Helen may con-

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Well, the truth, we know, is not to be demanded. What matters is the graceful boorish-ness of Mr Squire, the brilliant pendance of Miss Jeffreys, the grotesque, plodding sub-missiveness, and the sudden rebellion of Mr Edmond Breon. Here we are continuously on the plain of absurdity and enjoying the desterousness of Mr Lonsdale in keeping us there. But with Helen creeps in that questioning of muth which belongs to comedy. Her love for the Duke is never quite comfortably farcical, and the little rentative touches of sincermy which Miss Valerie Taylor gives to it do not make it any less a contradiction of the

piay's mood. Maria, Richard, and George are themselves sparkling pieces of nonsense: nothing matters so long as they sparkle. But Helen asks to be taken with a little seriousness and even that little jars. This is, however, to say no more than that Mr Lonsdale has not always pre-vented truth from poking its intrusive nose into what is, in all else, a gay, good-humoured entertainment which the audi-Mr Lonsdale, let it be grane-fully said, troubles us little with ence conspicuously enjoyed.

FROM CHRISTOPHER THOMAS IN MAZAR-ISHARIF

AFGHAN guerrilla commanders and the leaders of a mutiny by government troops have forged a new alliance against the Kabul government and were yesterday massing their forces outside the capital to take power. But the most radical rebel leader threatened to install his own strict Islamic government.

Gulbuddin Hekmatyar refused to participate in talks between Muslim guerrillas based in Pakistan and warned of a possible attack on Kabul. The friction came as the eastern city of Jalalabad was reported to have fallen to

Doubting ministers 'must quit'

Continued from page I recession. It will be their duty to address important issues to do with the health of the nation, the poor and the ciderly, the disadvantaged and

The Bishop of Salisbury made his remarks in response to the *Heart of the Matter* programme. Urging ministers who did not accept the faith to consider their future, he said: "If you don't believe you have no business representing the Christian church. That is the heart of the

Dr Baker said he respected people who decided not to believe. But they should not put themselves forward as representatives of people who

Meanwhile, a clergyman involved in last night's docu-mentary, has defended himself. The Rev David Paterson, St Peters Church, Loughborough said it was wrong to view the resurrection stories from a twentieth century viewpoint. To view them as historical accounts would be to miss the point. ☐ The Bishop of Durham,

Dr David Jenkins, said in his Easter message that parishes and churches needed to convince people that the faith of God was worth sharing.

Leading article, page 11

Mujahidin guerrillas. The Kabul government's 11th division surrendered the city, guerrilla radio said, leaving Kandahar in the south as the only important centre outside Kabul remaining in government hands.

The leader of the new alli-ance between guerrillas and government mutineers, Ahmad Shah Masood — the most powerful of the Muja-hidin rebel commanders was reportedly prepared to keep his forces outside the capital and negotiate a peace-ful departure by the present government. In Pakistan, the Muslim

guerrillas agreed to form an interim council to replace the Kabul administration, following a meeting between the rebel groups and Nawaz Sha-rif, Pakistan's prime minister, in Peshawar, the border city that has served as the base of the resistance during the 14year-old war against successive communist-style govern-ments. Ten guerrilla groups, one of which is based in Iran. have agreed to nominate two representatives to the council. They would be a politician and a field commander.

But the fundamentalist Mr Hekmaryar rejected the idea, accusing Mr Masood of collaborating with the Kabul administration. Mr Masood has ordered his rebels to form a security ring around Kabul to thwart any attack by Mr Hekmatyar's troops.

On Saturday, Mr Masood met General Abdul Rashid Dostum, who defected with a division of militiamen from the government side last month, General Abdul Momin who launched an army mutiny in January, and Sayeed Mansur Noderl who is spiritual leader of the

powerful commander in Afghanistan, whose forces are involved in the siege of Kabul, yesterday offered to hold peace talks to save the capital from a bloodbath. "We do not, repeat not, intend to invade," he declared. "If we had wanted to take over the city. we would have done it a long time ago. We wish to see an Islamic government but not a fundamentalist one."

Enemies join forces, page 8



Naughty Francis: Howerd as the slave Lurcio in the television hit Up Pompeii

Easter sun brings out the beach bikinis and the goosepimples

A YOUNG woman potholer was rescued last night after she was trapped under-ground when steel girders collapsed in the tunnel she was exploring, injuring her

She was flown to Bangor Hospital after a rescue team sook her out on a stretcher past the girders. The woman, who is in her mid 20s, was with a party of nine potholers when the entrance to the tunnel at the Cwn Pen Michno quarry collapsed. Her accident marred a gen-

A handful of young women

Ismaili community. General Dostum, the most erally trouble-free Easter Sunday as thousands of people made the most of the mild weather by flocking to seaside resorts. But the fun will be short-lived because the Meteorological Office last night predicted rain across much of the country today. "The rain won't reach the South and East until the afbest seaside resorts will be in the east at Scarborough and Skegness. Blackpool will be overcast." a spokesman said.

donned their bikinis on Bournemouth beach, although they did take the precaution of sheltering behind windbreaks as a chilly breeze whipped in from the sea. But at Southsea a police spokes-man said: "Although the crowds are sitting out in the sun it's far too cold for anyone to venture into the sea."

The really adventurous

were out in force at Scarborough with a hardy group parasceoding behind a boot. A group of four families on a day trip to Devon had an unexpected soaking at the Combe Martin Wildlife Park when a wooden bridge col-lapsed. The party of 21 fell 15ft into an ornamental pond after they crowded on the bridge for a group photo-graph. Five were treated in hospital, one with a broken leg and another a broken

> grims visiting the 900-year-old well at Walsingham in Norfolk were rationed to collecting only small bottles full after fears that the well could

dry up. Pilgrims, who claim the water has remarkable healing powers, usually take the water home in five gallon containers to drink and sprinkie over themselves.

Some of Britain's top stores defied the Sunday trading laws yesterday with Tesco, Asda and B&Q opening as normal. The Bishop of Bristol, the Right Rev Barry Rogerson, deplored the shops opening, saying: "It seems Easter doesn't make any difference as far as they are concerned. People need

recreation as well as work." Hundreds of people tried to make last minute bookings at the Butlin's Somerwest World in Minehead, Somerset, only to be disappointed. The resort was already full with more than 9,000 church leaders from all over the world for a month-long religous conference.

happy few days over the break should watch out. Nearly half of those questioned (45 per cent) in the survey by Royal Caribbean Cruise Line and

ME Magazine said they argued more as a family when on vacation. A third cited differences of opinion as the reason, with 28 per cent blaming the stress of being

ogether constantly. Longlest Safari Park in Wiltshire proved very popular thanks to the weather. A spokesman said: There were three lines of traffic queueing to get in and we had to lay on extra staff for Easter." Motorists were warned last

night of the usual dose of bank holiday delays on the roads today. A spokesman for AA Roadwatch said: "For those travelling on Monday the advice again is simply to allow plenty of time for the journey. Set out expecting long tailbacks and if they do not materialise it will be a pleasant surprise."

Among areas to avoid today is north-west London around Wembley Stadium with thousands of fans pouring in for the Freddie Mercury memorial concert.

Frankie Howerd dies at 70

Continued from page I commentator Lurcio in the television series Up Pompeii, a character who epitomised the old fashioned school of comedy in which the audience was never harangued but coaxed into laughter. He constantly sailed close to the wind but never crossed the

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line into obscenity.

His knowing "Oooo-ers",
naughty one-liners and catch phrase "Titter ye not" were of a style that harked back to the music hall

Whenever his star seemed to be failing, a new genera-tion would discover the irresistible humour of a man embarrassed by the audi-ence's naughty interpreta-tion of his perfectly respectable anecdotes.

Mr Howerd died at the
Charing Cross Hospital
where he was taken after col-

lansing yesterday.
Ernie Wise, a friend for 40
years, said: "He was an original and wonderfully English
comedian. His death is a great loss to our profession and to the public. People loved him."

David Frost said: "He was a true original and everybody will miss him."

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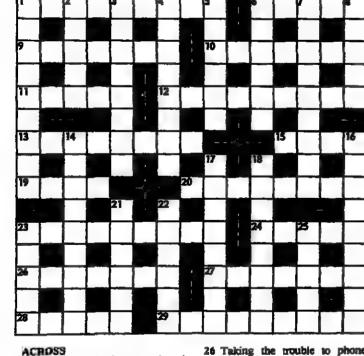
Union accuses militant teachers of risking jobs

for discipline or appointments. "Appraisal will be used by unscrupulous head teachers, desperate governors

The union is to continue its

Powerty gap, page 2 L&T section, pages 6,7

THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 18,897



Paving standards — sound qual-ity called for (9).

- 6 Tamersall's finally accept bet (5). 9 Proteas growing wild in Cape Town, for example (7). 10 Guys the huckster (7).
- 11 Popular group getting let in (5). 12 Confidence man's profession?
- 13 Propose names Annie and Tom possibly (8). 15 Stop the main body (4).
- 19 Finished with a large number in Solitary worker going about a household task (8).
- 23 Having an area of grassland.
- pledge to raise fruit (9). 24 Nick is in debt, but not charged interest (5).

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The solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzie No 18,896 will appear next Saturday. The 5 winners will receive a Duofold fountain pen supplied by Parker

26 Taking the trouble to phone, being a great admirer (7). 27 Working the land for up to a generation (7).

28 This stuff isn't a compound (5). 29 The Opposition leader gets to his feet and offers conjectures (9).

1 Break-in foes had made (9). Collect for a church service (5). Noticing jar when in pain (8). 4 Casual shirt possessed by striking

girl is worn longer (8).

5 Tax being cut (6).

6 Putting a bishop into beastly accommodation? That's bright!

7 Tries Manx-made carpeting (9). 8 The fellow shows little hesitation

over a German backer (5). 14 Sort of vegetable for a chap to

16 Unapproachable, like any un-employed sportsman (9). 17 Trouble for the United Nations to resolve (8).

18 He wrote thrillers about a dogtrainer (8). 21 The foreigner taking one in

22 Disciplined for making wrong sound (6).

23 Note many a fool is used to drink 25 "Like Niobe, all - " (Hamlet)

Concise Crossword, page 9 Life & Times section

A CONTROL OF THE PARTY OF THE P A daily safari through the language jungle. Which definition are correct? By Philip Howard **SPORTIÇALS** HOLDERNESS

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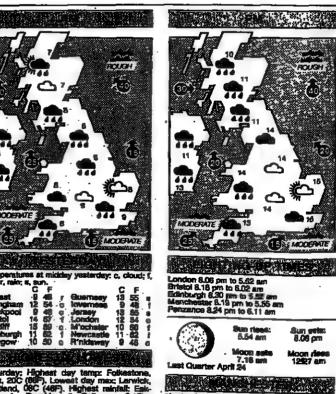
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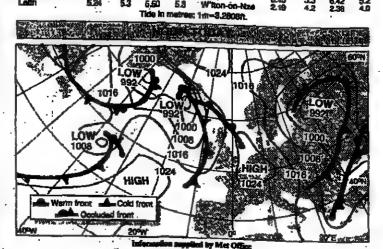
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The new policy would de-mand that teachers be allowed to choose who carries out their appraisal and become the sole owners of the record. Mr McAvoy said that such a system would place NUT members at a disadvantage because other teachers could use their appraisals in

seeking promotion.

Malcolm Horne, for the executive, said appraisal was coming because since it was supported by the main political parties. A policy of non-co-operation would expose those who refused to administer or submit to assessment. "It could pave the road to hell

John Berry, of the Steven-age association, however, said it would be a triumph of hope over experience to expect appraisal not to be used

and local authorities desper-

ate to lose jobs. It will create a climate of suspicion and demoralisation in schools." Mike Roy, of the East London association, said that some teachers felt threatened praised by a head of depart-

ment or head teacher who might disagree with their politics. Ownership of reports would provide a safeguard. Earlier, delegates voted to use strikes to force local authorities to improve provision for pupils with special educa-tional needs. The motion committed the NUT to a joint campaign with parents to ensure equality of access to edu-cation for special-need pupils.

opposition for tests for seven to 14-year-olds, supporting parents who wish to withdraw their children from the exercise. A proposal for a dard assessment tasks was

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Public protest mars historic match

South Africa's Test revival shapes as a hit

FROM RICHARD STREETON IN BRIDGETOWN, BARBADOS

BRIDGETOWN (second day of five, West Indies won toss): South Africa, with eight firstinnings wickets in hand, are 112 runs behind West Indies

AMID almost a ghostly silence from a near-empty ground, South Africa continued its impressive return to Test match cricket against West Indies yesterday on the second day of their historic encounter here. Having dismissed West Indies for 262, South Africa reached 183 with only three batsmen

All the excitement and noise from bugles, drums and barracking that formed part of Test cricket in West Indies were missing, as the Barbados public carried out their threat to boycott the match after the omission of the local fast bowier, Anderson Cummins, from the West Indies squad. After two decades of demonstrations and protests involving South Africa, it was ironic that their first Test match back should be accom-

panied by protests that had nothing to do with them. Barely 250 people were in the cheap public seats when play resumed and the overall attendance was around 1,500. On Saturday the crowd numbered around 1.400 at the start and reached only 3,000 or so by the end. West Indian officials tried to excuse yesterday's atendance by claiming that Easter services and sundry holiday events might always

have kept the crowd away but

there was no doubt that they had been left embarrassed. Clyde Walcott, the West Indies board president, said: "As far as I know if the

boycott is responsible it has affected West Indies cricket and the image of Barbados in the international cricketing world. This can do West Indies no good and particularly Barbados as a country. A protest march about Cummins towards the Kensington Oval on Saturday was dispersed by police."

Meanwhile, Wessels, the South Africa captain, joined Hudson in the day's second over after Rushmere was out when South Africa resumed at 13 without loss. Rushmere dabbed at a lifting ball from Ambrose and was caught at first slip. After this, the second-wicket pair looked com-fortable as Richardson rang the changes on his four last bowlers. The only chance West Indies had to break through came when Hudson, on 22, hooked Ambrose and Walsh spilled the catch at

long leg.
Wessels later swung Ambrose for six over mid-wicket as South Africa passed 100 in the 32nd over. The second wicket had added 125 in 34 overs when Wessels was held at deep backward point as he tried to cut. Immediately afterwards, Hudson, who was 66, edged Patterson but Williams could not hold the catch

and Lara, at first slip, just failed to seize the rebound. Apart from the lack of atmosphere, this Test match BRIDGETOWN SCOREBOARD

SOUTH AFRICA: First Invings V Rushmere c Lera b Ambrose ... Hudson not out ... C Wessels c Adams b Ambrose ... Kraten not out ...

BOWLING: Donald 28-1-67-2 (nb 5); Boach 15-2-43-1 (nb 3); Pringle 18.4-2-61-2 (nb 5); Snell 18-3-84-4 (nb 4).

W.J. Cronie, A.P. Kulper, †D.J. Richerdeon, R.P. Snell, M.W. Pringle, † Bosch und A.A. Doneld to bat. FALL OF WICKETS; 1-14, 2-139

was the first for more than 20 years in the Caribbean with almost a complete absence of short-pitched bowling. The new limitation on bumpers, operating locally for the first time, was discussed at length by Raman Subba Row, the International Cricket Conference referee, and the umpires before the start.

Unlike the Tests in Australia and New Zealand before the World Cup, it was agreed that the umpire at the bowler's end would rule on these with a specific signal a hand across their chest sideways with an index finger extended. Subba Row said he might recommend umpires carried a coloured card for

this purpose in future Tests.

Needless to say, none of the fast bowlers missed the opportunity to deliver their soli-tary bumper permitted in an over but the consistent ugliness and undertones of physical threat were no longer present. One of the most lethal short-pitched balls on Saturday was delivered by Donald to Ambrose, which

caused a buzz in the crowd.

Donald, like most of the South African bowlers, failed to keep an especially good line. More than one of the West Indian batsmen. though, fell to an impetuous stroke, a legacy, perhaps, of all the one-day games they have played. West Indies did average four runs an over, though, from the start after Wessels followed recent cus-

tom and put his opponents in. When Haynes and Simmons led off with a stand of 99 it seemed the decision had mistired, not least as the pitch lacked some of the liveliness usually present here. The South Africans persevered and after tea West Indies lost their last six wickets for 22 runs in ten overs. Snell, the new Somerset recruit, finished with four wickets as he moved the ball occasionally off the seam.

Photograph, page 17 David Miller, page 17



Backward glance: Jones, the Durham batsman, on his way to 114 against Lancashire yesterday

Jones earns his wages for Durham

DURHAM took to Sunday League cricket with even greater ease than their supporters expected yesterday, and found a new hero into the bargain (Peter Ball writes). Dean Jones, the Australian signed with the help of Tyne Tees Television, made a stirring start, hitting Durham's

Strachan is recalled to revive Leeds

first century in the Sunday League on his debut.

More surprisingly. Durham marked their first competitive game as a first-class county with a win, beating Lancashire by nine runs amid scenes of growing enthusiasm from a 5,500 all-ticket crowd. Two hours before the start

at Durham University's stun-ning ground on the bank of the River Wear, the banking was covered with picnickers and cars queued to get into the ground, but when play began it appeared as if the crowd, some wearing Sunderland football shirts, others

to behave at a cricket match. Ian Botham had a quiet beginning for his adopted home county, but Jones filled the gap as he hit eight fours and four sixes, and the vocal support grew.

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TODAY IN SPORT NATIONAL DOUBLE

IAN STEWAR

Peter Scudamore. riding Captain Dibble, attempts to add the Irish Grand National to the Scottish National they won nine days ago Racing Pages 21-23

WELCOME



Elana Meyer won the 3,000 metres as South Africa returned to international athletics with a match in Senegal against the rest of Africa Page 19

OFF THE



Mark Ilott, aged 20, took 4-15 yesterday and showed why he could be the young cricketer of the season after a year lost through injury Page 17

Best steps down as club coach

DICK Best, who coached England to their back-toback grand slam this season. is to step down from the coaching panel at Harlequins (David Hands writes). He has reluctantly decided to do so after suggestions of a conflict of interest between club and country, whose squad this ready have left Yorkshire's season included seven players

from Harlequins. It has been put to me that. as national coach, I should not any longer coach a club side," Best said yesterday. In fact. Best's reappointment as England coach has yet to be confirmed; he succeeded Roger Utiley in November and the next Rugby Football Union committee meeting is expected to appoint him up to the 1995 World Cup.

More rugby, page 20 day and decided that it was

TO PLACE YOUR

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF GORDON Strachan returns fresh and rested in an attempt to revive Leeds United's tired and jaded championship challenge against Coventry City at Elland Road tonight. But it may be too late. The Scot's controversial omission from Saturday's goalless draw against Liverpool could al-

contenders with too tough a Howard Wilkinson chose to save the Scottish international, aged 35, for the final three games but the Leeds manager can hardly have envisaged how badly his side would struggle without their influentual captain. Victory at Anfield would have taken Leeds back to the top but it was after a goalless draw there that Wilkinson said: "I had a chat with him on Fri-

FROM JENNY MACARTHUR

THE TOP TWO DIXISIONS

better to leave him out with a view to having him available for the three remaining

The decision was peculiar in that Strachan was surely more expendable against a relegation-threatened Coventry than against a Liverpool

at Anfield, and all the more so when it is buoyed up by reach-ing the Cup Final and going for a Uela Cup place. Fortu-nately for Wilkinson, his decision did not completely backfire as the league leaders, Manchester United, also had to be content with a draw. . .

Strachan will take the place of Hodge who is "very doubtful" in any case after twisting an ankle at Anfield where he was withdrawn at half-time. Cantona, who came on for Hodge, will probably remain among the substitutes.

Like Leeds, Coventry are desperate for points, after slipping deeper into trouble with Saturday's home defeat by Everton. Pressure is being put upon them by Luton, who visit a Queen's Park Rangers side smarting from three

Leeds have the advantage of going into their game, knowing the result of United's home fixture against Nottingham Forest. But United have the game in hand and the target of eight points from four matches that will make them uncatchable.

They may be easier than it sounds since neither Parker nor Ince will be available for the rest of the season. Parker

aggravated an old hamstring injury on Saturday, to join Ince -- injured in midweek on the sidelines. With Hughes facing suspension after an incident involving Kamara on Saturday, United will surely welcome the return of Robson sooner rather than when it is too late.

Close to Robson's northeastern roots will be one of the key second division matches of the day, that at Roker Park between Sunderland and Middlesbrough. Sunderland, the FA Cup finalists have lost seven of their last eight league games, revealing a blatant lack of commitment in response to which Malcolm Crosby, their caretaker manager, has admitted: "I am not the sort of manager who bul-

lies players."
He might be well-advised to start today if Bruce Rioch's expected installation as general manager is not to be advanced from the summer.

hard enough to beat anyway Cassan improves after reprieve

ENTERTAINMENT IN DEL MAR ADVERTISEMENT CALIFORNIA TINA Cassan, of Great Brit-THE TIMES ain, was in fifth place in the World Cup after the second TRADE leg of the final. Cassan, who ADVERTISERS had successfully appealed TEL: 071-481 1920 against her disqualification on the opening night, was only seven points behind the ADVERTISING FAX NO. leader. Thomas Fruhmann, of Austria, as the competition

moved into the last test. Cassan, aged 26, and the German rider. Ludger Beerbaum - who had both inadvertently started the timing clock on the first night after the start bell had

successful appeals on Satur-

The decision to reinstate them, announced by Bill Steinkraus, the president of the appeal jury, was taken in "the best overall interests of the sport".

Cassan, whose defiant 20minute stand in the arena was fuelled by an unprecedented crowd protest against the judges, apologised to the ground jury. Her appeal was handled by Raymond Brooks-Ward.

Beerbaum, who had

thought the final was all over

for him and wondered wheth-

er even to start in the second

sounded - heard of their leg on Friday, went on to win on Rush On with the only clear round in the timed jump-off. He was in eighth place in the cup standings with the final leg to come.

Cassan did not reach the jump-off. Her earlier confidence seemed to have been replaced by a quiet, almost contrite manner - as if suddenly aware of the enormity of her action on the opening

The Californians, who have taken her to their hearts, reserved their loudest cheers for her but the tension showed. Genesis hit the second fence and upright, after Cassan untypically misjudged the approach.

But that was her last mistake. She finished on four faults to move up into lifth

It was disclosed afterwards that some North American riders were objecting to

Cassan's and Beerbaum's successful appeal. Ian Millar, of Canada, who withdrew the favourite, Big Ben, after hitting four fences in the opening leg, blamed the horse's performance partly on the 20 minutes he had had to wait while Cassan remonstrated with the judges.

Tim Grubb, the only other Briton competing, had four faults in the middle of the teenth place is more than respectable for somebody who has left his top horse his Olympic hope, Denizen at home.

finished higher than fourteenth in ten starts in the Volvo World Cup final, was not confident of maintaining his leading position. His horse, Bockmann's Genius. is only nine and may not have the experience to cope with the big grand prix course.

RESULTS: Valvo World Cup: Finel: Second leg: 1, Rush On L. Besthaum (Ger), D in 42, 42sec., 2, Dykaro (T. Fuchs, Switz). 4 in 35,52, 3. Pressuitzed (L. Lenehmit. US), 4 in 38,16 World Cup positionis: 1, T. Fruhmann (Austral.), 0, 2, M. Fuchs (Switz), 3, 3, T. Fuchs (Switz), 5,5, 1, L. Machinghi-Mandii (Switz), 6,5,5, T. Cessen (GB), 7; 6, P. Reder (Fr), 7, 8.



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Hendry eases his anxieties over first-round pitfalls

By Phil Yates

STEPHEN Hendry did enough by beating Stephen Murphy 10-3 in the first round of the Embassy world championship in Sheffield yesterday to indicate he is well equipped to regain the title.

Without coming in sight of his devastating best. Hendry, exploiting the understand-able nervousness of the Crucible Theatre debutant. Murphy, led 6-3 after the opening session on Saturday. Rather unkindly, Ian Doyle, Hendry's manager. described his client's show as "rubbish".

There were no complaints, however, from that quarter on the resumption as Hendry, champion in 1990, compiled breaks of 39, 44, 72 and 52 to reach the last 16 without the loss of a further frame. Murphy, from Dublin, scored only 24 points during the last three frames,

which lasted just 26 minutes.
"I played OK today but yesterday it was torture out there. I don't enjoy my firstround matches here. I just want to get them out of the way because you're under pressure and on a hiding to nothing." Hendry said. He was then whisked away to a

Pleast T. St. First round: Saturday; J. Parrott (Eng) at E. Charlton (Aus.), 10-0. Frame scores (Parrott fart), 89-0, 89-2, 88-30, 115-18, 44-42, 73-4, 68-29, 59-20, 57-25, 60-38. M. Clark (Eng) by P. Francisco (SA), 10-7. Frame scores (Clark first): 57-8-77, 63-59, 39-0, 32-97, 63-15, 70-41, 0-85, 40-68, 51-37, 72-64, 71-14, 8-83, 39-59, 52-10, 65-49, 89-36. September (Eng) by M. Johnston-Allen (Eng), 10-4. Frame scores (Knowles first): 100-21, 62-64, 68-32, 53-39, 40-72, 30-89, 49-72, 65-6, 71-11, 53-62, 60-7, 35-10, 66-36. S. Hendry (Scot) by S. Murphy (Irol.) 10-3. Frame scores (Flower first): 79-25, 51-81, 39-89, 52-44, 97-22, 74-34, 65-48, 100-16, 35-67, 70-43, 74-7, 96-8, 90-9. P. Ebdon (Eng) leads S. Davis (Eng), 5-4. Frame scores (Ebdon first): 122-6, 74-8, 39-82, 18-76, 107-8, 74-29, 37-74, 78-47, 63-45. J. Wych (Carr) leads D. Reynolds (Eng) 6-3.

local airfield where a private plane transported him to Edinburgh and home comforts. Steve Davis, at least a semifinalist in every championship since 1983, found

himself in the unaccustomed first-round position of being behind after the opening session. He trailed 5-4 against Peter Ebdon, the 1990 world junior champion from Islington, in his first season as a professional

Davis, as one might expect, prevailed in the majority of frames where tactical awareness was the most useful asset. However, his highest break of the session was a modest 42 against runs of 92,

who profited from a refusal to compromise his usual belligerent approach.

John Parrott, swathed in doubts before the championship about both his form and mental stamina, enjoyed the perfect start to the defence of his title. His 10-0 first-round victory over Eddie Charlton. of Australia, on Saturday was the first whitewash in 418 matches played at the Cruci-ble since it first played host to the game's leading event in

Parrott now plays Tony Knowies, the sixteenth seed, who beat Mark Johnston-Allen, runner-up in the European Open for the last two years. 10-4. Knowles has a score to settle for Parrott trounced him 13-1 at the corresponding stage of the championship 12 months ago and 9-3 in the final of this senson's Dubai Class

Looking indecisive and competitively ring-rusty, Dean Reynolds, the world No. 12, committed far too many expensive errors as he allowed Jim Wych, a left-hander from Calgary, to es-tablish a 6-3 overnight lead in their first-round match which is played to a conclusion this

OVERSEAS FOOTBALL

AC Milan close in on title AC MILAN and Marseilles Juventus, who scraped a 1-

virtually secured the Italian and French championships respectively after weekend wins, while Borussia Dortmund are on course for their first German title since 1963.

Dortmund hold a twopoint lead in the German league thanks to a goal from Michael Rummenigge in Thursday night's I-0 win against the second-from-bottom side, Stuttgart Kickers. Bayern Munich made

Dortmund's task easier by beating last week's leaders, VfB Stattgart, 1-0 with a Stefan Effenberg goal on Saturday.Stuttgart dropped to third behind Dortmund and Eintracht Frankfurt, drew Wattenschield, for whom equaliser six minutes from

Daniele Massaro's diving header in the last minute of a drab derby against inter put AC Milan six points clear at the top in Italy.

Inter, without the injured German, Lothar Matthaus, were reduced to ten men from the fortieth minute when Stefano Desideri was sent off for his second booking. Massaro's goal put Milan within reach of their ninth title since the war but first

I draw at Roma, where Roberto Baggio cancelled out Ruggero Rizzitelli's 58thbehind with five games to

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Three tie for gold medal

Paris: In a rare three-way tie, Vitaly Scherbo (CIS), Li Jing (China) and Pac Gil Su (North Korea) shared the gold medal for the pommel horse in the finals of the first world individual championships here on Saturday (Peter Aykrowyd writes).

Scherbo also confirmed his position as a strong Olympic all-round contender by winning on rings with a controlled, relaxed performance. Barlier, he had come second to his compa-

triot. Igor Korobschinsky, the former overall world champion, in the floor But in the women's sec-

tion, the CIS did not perform to expectations. Svetiana Boginskaya, the tall past world and reigning European champion, was surprisingly defeated on vault by the popular Henri-etta Onodi, of Hungary, who averaged 9.95 for her two accurate attempts. Kim Zmeskal, the American overall world champi-on, took the floor exercise gold ahead of Onodi, with a lively and wide-ranging routine. She seized the beam title after Boginskaya, the reigning champion waivered during her exercise.

Britain's tactics at this innovative tournament were to ensure that their best gymnasts reach their top form at Barceiona. Hence their team here con-sisted largely of juniors. GOLF

Gilford's nerve withstands the trial of play-off

FROM JOHN HENNESSY IN RABAT

Moroccan Open golf championship at Dar-Es-Salam yesterday in a sudden death play-off against Robert Karlsson, of Sweden After they had both finished the 72 holes in 287, one under par, Gilford birdied the third extra hole, the 18th, for the second time within four holes.

Earlier, there had been the prospect of another Englishman, Ricky Willison, winning the tournament. He came through the 7th green by the chibhouse in the lead, but was soon deprived of that position by Gilford, who struck three successive birdies from the 7th in the bottom match.

Willison, the English amateur champion playing in only his fifth Tour event, could not quite keep up the momentum and, missing the green for the first time at the Ilth, when his ball trickled into a bunker, was unable to mount a further challenge.

Karisson now became the main threat and he advanced to only one shot adrift when Gilford, after two superb shots at the 526-yard 12th, pitched clean over the green into a bunker for six.

The final twist, it seemed at the time, came at the 16th where a two-shot swing put the Swede in the lead. Gilford came out of a bunker to six feet and missed the putt. From much the same distance, Karlsson holed for a birdie. So they came to the

DAVID Gilford won the last, playing all of its 552 yards in the still atmosphere with no run on the ball.

You would not have given much for Gilford's chances when Karisson hit two huge shots just short of the green.

But Gilford, from perhaps 60 yards out, pitched to six feet and nervelessly holed the birdie putt, in spite of an extraordinary diversion when a child climbed into a buggy, stepped on the accelerator, and plunged into the gallery. Gilford, also a former England champion, is just about the last person to lose his composure

Karisson, when his turn came, chipped hesitantly and failed with the 10-foot putt he needed for the title and the E41,660 first prize.

from the same distance at the second extra hole, the short 17th, but again his putt slipped by.

Rogers shares spoils

ANDREW Rogers, of Middlesex, shared top honours in the Duncan Putter Open golf tournament - the first big strokeplay event of the season - at Southerndown yesterday with Richard Dinsdale, the young Welsh international from Newport (a Special Correspondent writes). In a competition reduced to

sea mist on Saturday evening. Rogers and Dinsdale finished with aggregates of 213 — three over par — one stroke clear of Simon Edwards, the former Welsh boys champion from Wrexham. Rogers recorded a last round 69 - one under par - despite a triple

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

Garcia kicks away Monarchs' hopes

na kicker, accounted for all his side's points, including a record 51-yard field goal, as the Barcelona Dragons beat the London Monarchs 9-0 in the World League of American Football match at Wembley on Saturday.

Garcia, formerly with Houston Oilers, the NFL side, also converted from 20 and 43 yards. He was good on three of five attempts. The victory maintained Barcelona's hold on first place in the league's European Division.

ca the Di inaugural World Bowl, fall to 1-3-1. A crowd of 18.518 watched the game.

The Dragons' offense dominated the game, but was unable to get the ball into the end zone. Barcelona's six possessions inside the London 30-yard line resulted in Garcia's five field goal attempts

and one interception.

The Dragons time of possession was nearly twice that of the Monarchs, 39:58 to 20:02. Joe Mickles led the rushing attack with 107 yards on 21 carries.

SPORT IN BRIEF

Eubank contest doubts CHRIS Eubank may face a

third choice opponent in next Saturday's WBO super middleweight title defence at the G-Mex centre, Manchester. Ron Essett, who replaced the injured Paraguayan, Juan Carlos Gimenez, has an ear infection and may not be fit to come from Florida. If Essett withdraws, as

seems likely, Barry Hearn will have to find a replacement opponent for a world atle fight at very short notice. Thames success

Canocing: Andy Freeman with his new partner. Kevin

Ivanisevic out Bowerbank, completed his third victory in the 125-raile Devizes to Westminster race. Aranka Viragh and Helen Bakker, of The Netherlands, were the first women. Boardman leads

Cycling: Chris Boardman

goes into the final, hilly stage of the Girvan international three-day road race in Scotland today as overall leader and favourite to win. He is national hill climb champion.

Rivals score

Swimming: Two of the three Olympic pre-selections competing, Ian Wilson and Mike Fibbens, lost to British rivals at the National Grand Prix finals in Edinburgh.

Champion mix

Bowls: Greg Harlow and his sister. Joanne, of City of Ely, won the Mackeson national mixed pairs champlonship at

the Adur Club. Southwick. yesterday, beating Peter and Wendy Line, of Atherley, who are past champions, 16-14.

Snow pressed Real tennis: Julian Snow

retained his George Wimpey British amateur championship at the Queen's Club with an impressive victory over straight sets, but had to fight hard in the third after his opponent staged a comeback. Nolan's third

Equestrianism: Pippa Nolan and her 15-year-old, Sir Barnaby, won their third advance class on the trot at the Diahatsu Brigstock Horse Trials in Northamptonshire yesterday, beating several home and overseas champions.

Tennis: Goran Ivanisevic. of Croatia, the world No. 8, is to miss next week's Monte Carlo Open because of "irregular heart beats," an ATP spokes-woman said.

Reynolds back

Athletics: Harry "Butch" Reynolds, competing only the second time since he was suspended two years ago after a positive dope test, won the 400 metres in 45.92sec in Palo Alto, California, Saturday. His suspension is under appeal. At Walnut, California, Carl Lewis began his outdoor season with a defeat over 100 metres by Mike Marsh (9.93sec) and Davidson Ezinwa (9.96) against the Olympic champion's 10.12. ☐ The European Broadcasting Union has paid the IAAF \$91 million for the European

rights to all IAAF events over

HOCKEY

Fortune deserts battling Havant

FROM SYDNEY FRISKIN IN AMSTERDAM

HAVANT'S hopes of a European club championship medal disappeared here yes terday after a 1-0 defeat by Uhlenhorst, the German holders, who qualified for today's final against Atlético Terrassa, of Spain.

Only a victory would have kept Havant in line for a medal and they went after it wholeheartedly for the first 20 minutes. The Germans remained calm and went ahead in the 27th minute when Becker, receiving a pass from the right, scooped the ball into the net. Thereafter Havant went in

fruitless chase of an equaliser. They will now play off today for seventh and eighth places against Alma Ata from the Commonwealth of Independent States and may, in the final reckoning, find themselves in the B division of this event next year.

A cruel blow was dealt to Havant on Saturday when they lost 2-1 to Racing Club of France after Williams had given them the lead in the 23rd minute. An appeal for a goal by Williams five minutes later was disallowed. But as unlucky as Havant seemed to have been, they fell short in tactical ploys against the stronger finishing French, who scored twice in the 37th

and 40th minutes. Lisnagarvey, from Northern Ireland, achieved a creditable 1-0 win over Alma Ata. Richardson scoring in the corner. The Spanish interna-tional full back Ignacio Escude scored three goals, two from short corners for Atletico Terrassa, who defeated Bloemendaal, the Dutch champions, 5-2 in a dazzling display of attacking hockey.

Glasgow Western qualified for the women's final for the fourth year in succession after a 2-1 win over Club de Cam-po of Madrid. Two goals by Susan MacDonald saw them to a final against Amsterdamsche, the host dub, who defeated HGC, the Dutch holders, 1-0. ☐ Hounslow and Sutton

Coldfield qualified for the men's and women's finals respectively of the European Cup Winners' Cup at Vught. Hounslow finished with maximum points from three matches and Sutton Coldfield made sure of their place in the final with a 3-0 win over Old Alexandria, of Dublin.

Alexandria, of Dublin.

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JUDO

Consolation with title for Southby

BY A CORRESPONDENT

DAVID Southby, a 26-yearold civil engineer from Cambridge, may have lost the selection for the Olympics but he received some consolation yesterday at the Commonwealth judo tournament in Cardiff by retaining the light-middleweight title he won in Auckland two years ago.

He won his last four fights with ease. John Batten (Canada) was thrown in the first 10 seconds, and held; Graham Randali (Scotland) was despatched clearly in five sec-onds with uchimata (inner thigh throws: and Suleiman Musa (Nigeria) similarly thrown and pinned right at the start of the semi-final. The final saw a replay of the

Auckland contest with New Zealand's Graham Spinks, and ended with a leg grab after seven seconds. In the women's event, light heavyweight Rowena Sweatman from Manchester

added another Commonwealth medal to her family's tropy cupboard. This augurs well for the European championships in Paris in May. where she represents Britain as a middleweight.

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Bishop's Stortford v Basingstoke, First
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BILAZER HOMES LEAGUE Premier division: Atherstone v VS Rugby; Bashley v Trowthodge; Burton v Moor Green; Cambridge City v Corby; Chairmetond v Gravesend and hortifilest (11.30); Derthord v Daver; Caronisetter v Poole (7.45); Fisher Ath v Wesickstone; Halestowen v Gloucester; Waterbowille v Crawley (11.30); Worceaster v Brorraggrove. Southern division: Braintee v Succlaury; Burthem v Erith. and Belveders; Bury Town v Baldock; Centenbury City v Mergate; Durstable v Buckingsmr. Gosport Borough v Fersham (11.5); Havent v Newport LOW (7.45); Hythe v Ashford; Selejany v Weymouth; Stitingbourne v Heatings. Withey v Andover (11.0). Middered divisions Avecturch v Reddictor (7.50); Baston v Dudley; Hechoscirot v Bridgnorth (7.30); Servick (11.30); Servick V Yate; Tarmworth v Sutton Codifield.

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Former West Indies captain keen to excel

Richards's resolve gives Glamorgan hope of Sunday title

By Alan Lee, cricket correspondent

IT WAS on another Sunday, Glamorgan, he says, would nine months ago, that Vivian mean as much to him as Richards was carried from anything he has done in his the Edgbaston ground on the career. Weighty words, inshoulders of his team-mates, deed, from the man who has his epitaph as an unbeaten done almost everything. West Indies captain trium-There was a particular poi-

phantly secured.

was still burning.

motivation.

wrong. Like a certain contem-

porary of his from Somerset

days. Richards exists on such

To the mild astonishment

of many who judged he would

weary of cricket once his Test

days were done, Richards is

back for a second season with

Glamorgan, just as he said he

would be. Vivian keeps his

promises, as the people of

Unlikely liaison it may be,

but the king and the princi-

pality have warmed to each

other. He has settled back into

the village he adopted two

years ago, "away from the pace of life, man", but he is

anxious to dispel any notion

that he is on some retirement

Sussex put

one over

champions

BY IVO TENNANT

OVER the past five years,

Nottinghamshire have won

all the trophies, including the

Sunday League last year.

This summer they will be the

envy of many: they look to be

so strong that John Birch.

their manager, can justifiably

claim they are not far short of

being as good as the Rice-Hadlee Championship-w

ning side of five years ago. All

the more surprising, then,

that they should lose their

opening match to as unexcep-

Unexceptional, that is, in

light of recent lack of achieve-

ment in limited-overs cricket.

To that end, Sussex have

signed a new overseas player:

one Franklyn Stephenson.

whose performances during

four years with Nottingham

him to rank with the very best

of cricketers to come to this

country. Having moved

counties for financial reasons.

he contributed to this victory

through taking two wickets.

including that of Randall for

Nortinghamshire mustered

187 for nine through runs

from their middle order bats-

man, Pollard and Lewis, who

was also playing his first

match for his new county. It

was not enough. Hall, hitherto not regarded for ebullient

stroke-play, put on 144 with Greenfield for the first wicket.

each making 77, their best

scores in this competition.

Sussex won by the unlikely

Of other counties that ex-

celled in this competition last

season. Northamptonshire

owed their win over Surrey at

the Oval to four wickets from

Curran and 46 from Bailey,

but Worcestershire did not

have the baning to beat York-

shire's similarly moderate

total. This in spite of a half-

century by their new captain.

Curtis, illustrating the benefit

Oxford University last week.

of England's winter cricket as

a result of his problematical

hip-joint injury, his first bowl

of the season showed the ben-

efit of a decent rest and.

perhaps, of not over-extend-

ing himself in pre-season

training. Coming on first

change, he conceded just 25

runs off his eight overs. help-

ing Middlesex beat Leicester-

shire by 10 runs.

For Fraser, who missed all

margin of seven wickets.

tional a county as Sussex.

Winning something for

Wales have discovered.

gnancy about his presence The emotion was muted on here yesterday and it did not his return to Birmingham entirely spring from the memories of last July. While yesterday but for the old master, 40 last month, passion Richards, baseball cap on proud head, was having his pre-match net before a hand-ful of onlookers, the West It may have been just a routine Sunday League game but, for Richards, it was Indies team, which for so another new horizon, another long was his, was rising in chance to prove a few people Barbados for day two of a

Test match not quite going to Richardson, Haynes and company might be surprised to learn that their erstwhile captain had no idea of the ignominies which had befallen them the previous evening. Probably, however, they would accept it as further evidence of the sourness which accompanied the part-

ing of the ways. Richards has been publicly baring his soul this past year. First there was the book, then the video and now the paperback story of his life. In it, he calls the West Indies Board members "dumb and gutless" for their rapid U-turn on South Africa. He is equally candid about some unnamed

adversaries who, he says, con-

spired to keep him out of the World Cup.

"I found out, in the end, that there was a group of people responsible for getting me out and it had little to do with cricket," he said.

Carnival

mood

with contradictions.

thusiasm. I have seldom

heard such a torrent of

opinion and criticism being

debated or challenged with

such boisterous good

Here indeed was a day

strange contradiction. On

the one hand, those who

stayed away, on an island besotted with the game,

were making a too vigorous

land pride and insularity.

The boycott was possibly more harmful to the reput-

ation of Barbados as a Test

venue — where West Indies

are unbeaten since 1934-5

rassed selectors.

than to that of the ha-

As the local Sunday Sun

editorial emphasised: "It is

local support, warm, gener-ous and unequivocal, that

dies to the phenomenal

record of ten consecutive

On the other hand, that

same generosity among

those who attended on Sat

urday - including the for-

mal recognition of South

Africa's new status with the

presence of Erskine Sandi-

victories at Kensington.

"Some people want to forget Viv Richards... Some people want him to fade into history, become a museum relic. I know full well that some people think they have killed off Viv for good. Not so. I fight on for what I believe."

Pugilistic, maybe; but good news for Glamorgan, who quietly fancy their chances of winning a one-day competioffer 100-1 against them capturing the Sunday title for the first time but, here, they gave a confident Warwickshire enough of a scare to mock such odds.

The formbook was finally upheld, with four balls to spare, thanks to a typically pugnacious innings from Andy Moles.

Richards, gracious to the end, clapped him off. Earlier, to Richards, for a highly skilled and committed 68 which gave Glamorgan a competitive score on an unre-

liable pitch. It was the innings to confirm that the old master is not yet ready for the museum.

persed, the sun shone and

Essex delighted

DERBY: Essex (4 points) beat came to bat, cloud cover dis-Derbyshire by eight wickets

EVEN more welcome to Essex than this comfortable victory to begin the new campaign — even more welcome, indeed, than an unexpectedly warm and sunlit day at Derby - was the form of Mark Ilott

ing bowler moved the ball around more than anybody and, with a haul of four wickets for 15 runs, was largely responsible for seeing off Der-

It was a score made to look thoroughly inadequate as John Stephenson and Mark Waugh established firm command in a partnership of 65 for the second wicket, and Essex cruised home with sev-

en overs to spare. Ilott's was unquestionably the performance of the match, however. Out of the game for virtually the whole of last season

when he was the subject of a fusion-of-the-vertebrae operation, he will be a force to be

The winning of the toss by Gooch represented a considerable advantage. Not only did the ball move about early on, but when Essex's turn

by Ilott's form

anditions eased. Runs still had to be chiselled out on a wicket of low bounce, but Essex are as adept in these conditions as any side and, after Gooch had been taken deep on the third man boundary. Stephenson and Waugh guided Rishon. Mortensen and Co around the field easily enough to keep Essex well

> ahead of the clock. Stephenson was brilliantly caught by Bowler at point from a crisp square cut, but by then Essex needed only 27

Although no Derbyshire batsman had been comfortable against Ilott's variations of swing, and Pringle, Topley and Stephenson were barely less of a hazard, Derbyshire did reach 80 for one with Barnett and Morris in

occupation. First, Ilott disposed of Morris. Then, Gooch produced a crucial catch. He took a fierce drive off the meat of the bat at short extra cover to get rid of Barnett and Derbyshire were on their way to losing their last nine wickets for 41 in just over 14 overs.

It was a collapse from which there could be no recovery.



Giant killer: Snell, the South Africa pace bowler, who took four wickets

nuru, the prime minister — It would be wrong to give managed to turn what the Sun termed "a match of enormous social, political and sporting significants."

It would be wrong to give expected yesterday, Barbados being a widely religious community, with Restantant bados was absolute. and sporting significance" into an occasion exclusively sporting. In one moment, as it were, the South Africans out on the field, white to a man, had become indistin-

guishable as rivals from England, India or Australia. That in itself is a triumph for Bacher, for Steve Tshwete, the ANC negotiator, for President F. W. De Klerk, for those who run South Africa's cricket development programme, for the magnanimity of the ICC members, that only time will evaluate. Players such as Mike Procter, the coach, who with Bacher as captain played in South Africa's last Test 22 years ago, and Barry Richards and Eddie Barlocal branch of the Pun-African Congress issued a statement of regret beforehand, which was admittedly relegated to the inside pages of

the press. But a leading article on Saturday morning questioned how much the readmission was justified in advance of genuine equality in South Africa; how much it was commercial expediency on the part of black Africa as well as interna-

tional sport. There is genuine concern here on an island of rigorous anti-apartheid morality that some basic principles are being shunted into a siding. The authenticity of South Africa's cricket morals, however, is evident in under-19 touring team. An even more sparse

crowd was partially to be

dominating local life. There were few to witness

the fine second-wicket stand between Hodson and Wessels, who put on 95 before hunch after the early loss of Rushmere with a supine stroke at Ambrose. Hudson survived chances at 22 and 31, but it was

symptomatic of South Africa's resistance that Richic Richardson felt obliged to resort to Arthurton's spin 20 minutes before lanch. South Africa, at their first

experience of real cricket as opposed to the one-day stuff, and in spite of the mental and physical fatigue the team must be feeling after the World Cup and the one-day series in West Indies, were meeting the toughest of challenges with resolve and some style.

Report, page 15

Durham off to a flying start

BY PETER BALL

DURHAM UNIVERSITY Lanoushire won toss): Durham (4pts) beat Lancashire (0) by nine runs

THE day Durham have been planning for for two years fulfilled their greatest hopes. A 5,000-plus crowd revelled in the fun as the first new county for 71 years opened their account with a historic win in a high0scoring match, Dean Jones claiming 114 on

his Sunday League debut.

Jones found good support, confirming that Durham's batting will be formidable. particularly on their own slow pitches. On this occasion, though, they also bowled well. McEwan, Brown and Hughes finding more life than the Lancashire bowlers could muster.

Botham too played his part. removing the dangerous Watkinson and making the final run-out as nerves began to show, but his innings, so eagerly awaited, was uncharacteristically uneventful. After successfully charging Allott once, he got bogged down and when he tried to repeat the process he was left stranded so far down the pitch that Hegg was able to drop the ball and still make

the stumping. Consolation was soon at hand, initially from Larkins, who revelled in the slow pitch and less than hostile bowling to mark his own debut for the county with a well-struck fifty. picking up DeFreitas and Watkinson for leg-side sixes and hitting four fours to reach his fifty off 67 balls.

By then Jones was into his imperious stride, standing up straight to dismiss the ball contemptuously, and running like a stag between the wickets. He was merciless on anything that strayed off line. failing of all the Lancashire

His fifty came up off 45 balls with a swept six off Atherton. His second fifty came off just 34 deliveries as he saw Durham past the 200 in partnership with Bainbridge, who contributed almost half their 72, and with Parker, who is as quick over

the ground. When Jones was out, off the crowd were in full voice.

The sound soon increased as Lancashire batted with a sad lack of purpose. They began securely enough as McEwan initially struggled to get his line right, and when Jones dropped Fowler the miss looked likely to be costly.

Instead. Atherton chipped McEwan to mid-on, where Hughes took a well-judged catch into the sun, and the rot set in. Lloyd played an appallvier with the last ball of his first over; and then the roar reached Roker proportions as next bail Botham took a head-high catch at gully to remove Fairbrother.

Watkinson, Speak, Austin, the scorer of last season's fastest century, and, at the death. DeFreitas, put up more spirited resistance, but this was Durham's day.

WEEKEND CRICKET SCOREBOARDS

low, whose international

careers evaporated, will no

doubt have mixed views of a

time for national celebra-

tion at home.

Sunday League Derbyshire v Essex TK J Barnett c Gooch b Stephensor P D Bowler c Gammans b Topley ... J E Morris c Waugh b Bott T J G O'German b Bott T J G O'German b Bott T J G O'German b Bott HK M Krikken b Topley ... IA Bishop not out A E Warner b Bott D E Melcolm c Waugh b Pringle ... C H Mortensen c Gamham b Jott ... Extras (Ib 11, vs 8, nb 5) Total (38.1 overs) FALL OF WICKETS: 1-28, 2-80, 3-100, 4-103, 5-106, 6-114, 7-114, 8-119, 9-120, BOWLING: Bott 7.1-1.1-54; Pringle 7-0-22-2: Topiev 8-0-22-2: Stephanson 8-0-22-1; Geoch 4-0-18-0; Such 4-0-13-1. of a lengthy innings against G A Gooch c Morre b Siehop J P Stepheneon o Bowler b Mortensen M E Waugh not out P J Prichard, P M Such, N V Knight, †M A Garnham, D R Pringle, † D Topley and M FALL OF WICKETS: 1-30, 2-95.

BOWLING: Bishop 6-1-14-1, Mortensen 8-1-26-1; Warner 5-1-32-0; Malcolm 8-0-21-0; Cork 7.5-0-29-0.

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Extras (tb 10, w 1, nb 2)

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-83, 2-120, 3-192, 4-

240 BOWLING, Allott 80-30-1, Merrison 8-0-43-1, Defroits 80-53-1, Austin 7-0-46-0; Watunson 5-0-34-0; Atherion 4-0-30-1

l'otal (4 wkts, 40 overs) J D Glondenen, †A R Fothergill, S M McEwen, S P Hughes, *D A Graveney and S J E Brown did not bet.

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SOUTHAMPTON (Ham) OLOUCESTE!

(1b 6, w 2, nb 2) Total (6 wkts, 40 overs) A M Smith, A M Bebington and M J FALL OF WICKETS: 1-34, 2-44, 3-81, 4-118, 5-134, 5-141 118, 5-134, 5-141 BOWLING: Marshall 8-0-34-2 Connor 8-1-26-1; Turner 8-2-20-1; Ayling 5-1-18-1;

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D Rose not out
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D B Mersh on co. Extras (b 4, lb S, w 1) Total (6 wkts, 39.2 overs) N A Mallender, A R Ceddick and H R J Trump did not bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-23, 2-33, 3-59, 4-98, BOWLING: Elieon 7.2-0-43-2; Esiham 8-0-27-0; Fleming 7-0-22-1; Igglesden 8-0-30-2; Devis 6-0-21-0; Cowdray 3-0-12-0. Impires: D J Constant and G A Stickle

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D M Ward Ibre b Capel
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M A Felthern c and b Taylor
B B Ryson b Curran

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-3, 2-46, 3-50, 4-65, 5-91, 6-110, 7-127, 8-142, 9-148. NORTHAMPTONSHIRI

Extras (lb 8, w 2, nb 1) ... FALL OF WICKETS: 1-29, 2-61, 3-95, 4-105, 5-155, BOWLING: Sryson 8-0-30-2; M P Bicknell 9-0-28-0; Benjamin 7.4-0-47-0; Balling 8-0-30-1; Feltham 8-1-25-1. Umples: J C Belderstone and G I Burgess.

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Worcestershire v

YORKSHIRE Total (9 wkts, 40 overs) A P Grayson did not bet. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-32, 2-35, 3-56 117, 5-127, 6-136, 7-150, 8-152, 9-160.

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v Middlesex LEICESTER (Leicesterature won toes

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v Sussex

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Oxford University v Worcestershire

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Total (4 wids) 8 N Warley, C Keey, 19 Organist-Callum, MJeh, HR Device and D Anderson to bal. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-54, 2-97, 3-142, 4-151 Rearguard action keeps title challengers in the hunt but may cost goalkeeper England call-up

Leeds cling on by Lukic's fingertips

SILKERINGES

JOHN Lukic has prolonged the championship race, and perhaps at a great personal loss. In keeping out Liverpool in Saturday's goalless draw at Anticld, the Leeds United goalkeeper may inadvertently have ruled himself out of contention for a place in En-gland's squad for the European championship finals in June.

Advised to apply for a visa, he had already unofficially been invited to go to Moscow in a fortnight for the last of the England manager's experiments this season.

The party is to be an-nounced tomorrow but Lukic is now unlikely to be avail-able. Unless Leeds subside at home to Coventry City today and at Sheffield United on Sunday, they will still be chal-lenging for the title on closing day, May 2. In that case, Lukic is sure to be permitted by Graham Taylor to forgo the trip to Russia.

Lukic's successor at Arsenal, Seaman, was thought to be established as England's goalkeeping understudy, but he was so unnervingly shaky in Czechoslovakia last month that he could be demoted. The other candidates for promotion include Coton, of Manchester City, and Martyn, of Crystal Palace

Lukic was solely responsible for ensuring that Leeds did not slip towards the edge of contention. But for him, they would now be three points behind Manchester United and, significantly, with an inferior goal

One of the opponents he defied encapsulated his con-tribution. "He had a blinder." Saunders said. "He



Stretching exercise: Rush, of Liverpool, contests the ball with Newsome, the Leeds United defender, during their draw at Anfield

saves. Not only did he stop the shots, but they also stuck in his hands. He kept them in the game and in the race for

Lukic's positioning was so precise and his handling so secure that his exhibition seemed simple. His most crucial intervention was to throw himself at the feet of Thomas, whose goal for Arsenal in the same stadium won both he and Lukic a championship winner's medal three years

be about to collect another was reinforced by comments he heard at Anfield. Spectators in the Kop behind him were encouraging Leeds, and several Liverpool players later assured him that United should prepare for an even sterner afternoon there next

Lukic's belief that he could

The prospect of appearing in the FA Cup final, far from inhibiting Liverpool, has eviwithout Wright and Whelan,

they "looked like the side he prepared to take a corner. going for the championship". In the absence of Strachan, according to Ronnie Moran. who agreed with Howard Wilkinson that he should be the caretaker manager and the only person to mention rested, their attitude indicated that they were not Leeds were contrastingly tentative. Their attack wanfirst goal at Anfield for 14 dered blindly into a hundred years and their first victory offside traps and their dethere for two decades. fence, rearranged yet again, featured Fairclough in a

The curiously negative view was confirmed by their manmarking role on Barnes ager. "You can't start making ing in front of the winger as

an Alfred Hitchcock film." The leading role, filled on Saturday by Lukic, must today be taken, against a resil-ient but lowly Coventry side, by a more positive figure, such as Strachan. He is expected to be brought back in place of the injured Hodge.

Sheffield United are inspired to greater ambition

Sheffield United

BY IAN ROSS

FOR the first time since he joined Sheffield United four years ago, Dave Bassett will find himself setting his team a target of far greater ambition than simple self-preservation next season.

On November 17, United were at the foot of the first division table having collected a meagre nine points from their opening 15 League fix-tures. This morning, after a 16-game sequence which has yielded 33 points, they lie in seventh place, safe and brimming with uncharacteristic

The club's dramatic change of fortune has prompted Bassett, one of English football's most irrepressible optimists, to revise nis own outlook.

With one or two additions in the summer, I will be look for us to challenge for a place in Europe next season," he said, as if to officially pro-claim the awakening of a long-dormant footballing

Arsenal's progress since the turn of the year has been no less impressive and, while their own 14-game unbeaten run was often under considerable threat, a draw was both predictable and just.

Despite the absence of the suspended Wright. Arsenal's early football had much to commend it and they must have been somewhat surprised to find themselves adrift in the 25th minute when Davison turned in a Hodges free kick at the far

The game would almost certainly have been decided in the home side's favour had the referee. King, seen fit to penalise Smith's blatant push on Davison deep within the area on 50 minutes.

The fact that vociferous and prolonged appeals for a penalty fell on unsympathetic ears will have surprised nobody in attendance, for curiously, United have not won such an award for 54 games. After Campbell had levelled

matters when he dispatched Smith's inviting headed flick on in the 58th minute, either side could have gone on to victory but the positional awareness of Rees and Seaman, the two goalkeepers, ensured that the stalemate would prevail.

Wolffill Pickers.

HEPPELD UNITED: M Rees: J Pemberten, D Series, J Gennon, B Geyle, P Boesley, G Hodges (sub: D Whitehouse), P Rogers, B Devarion, B Deese (sub: C Series, B Devarion, B Devarion, N STEPHAL: D Series; P Lyderson, N Winterburn, D Hiller, S Bould, A Adams, D Roosste, K Campbell, A Smith, P Merson, A Limper (sub: N Heaney).

Referes: H King,

Coventry bow out in tragicomedy

BY RUSSELL KADAPSON

DESPERATE times call for desperate measures. Two Ogrizovic, the Coventry City goalkeeper, ran the length of the pitch into the Everton penalty area.

Gynn's corner, Coventry's last throw of the dice, was perfectly placed for Ogrzovic's 6ft 5ln frame. Yet his instincts got the better of him; a wild attempt at a diving header bore more resemblance to a mistimed punch. Had Coventry's plight been less critical, it would

have been a big laugh. "I never told him to do it," Don Howe, the Coventry manager, said. "I suppose Steve has seen it happen on the box. Why not? You might as well lose 2-0 as 1-0."

Howe retained a philo-sophical mood in the face of adversity. Coventry had outplayed Everton, yet lost, and

closer in the scramble to earn Premier League status. Once again, sod's law was on the statute book at Highfield Road on Saturday.

In the 52nd minute, Gallacher nipped in to interpass. Southall missed the ball and clearly clipped Gallacher yet Wilkes, the referee, ruled no penalty. It was so obvious.

In the 76th minute. Beagrie climaxed the flowing move of Ward and Beardsley struck Borrows on his nether region and deflected past Ogrizovic. It was so unfair.

Only a string of athletic saves from Southall preventtry missed a clutch of other chances, too. With just three matches left. Ogrizovic's upfield charges could be more crucial than comical.

COVENTRY CITY: S Ogrizovic; B Borrows, K Sansom, S Ribbson, A Peace, P Atherton, S Physin, M Gyrss, P Furtong (sub: P Ndiow), I, McGrath (sats: D Smith), K Galacher.

EVERTON: N Southelf: M Jackson, K Koown, P Newin, P Beardeley, M Johnston (sub: 8 Barlow), A Liespar, P Beagrie, P Beagrie.

United tackle ghosts of championships past ing fingers and toes that Coventry City remain impotent in attack and Norwich City, who have to play Sheffield Wednesday and Leeds away, suffer on with their post-FA Cup hines. Pleat sees it as a straight fight between Luton and Coventry. "Don't forget they've got an easy one — at

IT IS as well for the present Manchester United side that comparisons between teams of different eras is a futile exercise. Nevertheless, watching the class of '92 creeping cautiously but inev-itably towards the League championship, with a 1-1 draw at Kenilworth Road on Saturday, one could not help musing over what Best, Law and Charlton would have

The ghosts of the past may never be properly exorcised at Old Trafford, but by winning the title, albeit in an expedient manner, 25 years of expectation will at least be removed from their shoulders. Perhaps then. United can get on with entertaining this United team, then hopes do so. While building a team to

win today, Alex Ferguson has, at the same time, been laying the foundations for the future. United's youth team, which has taken a 3-1 first-leg lead back to Old Trafford in the FA Youth Cup final against Crystal Palace. contains no fewer than nine first-year professionals, all of will be eligible to in the same competition next

"Alex told me that the crop of kids he's got are the best the club's had since the Busby Babes." David Pleat, the Luton Town manager, said.
"He's sitting on a gold-mine. Whatever happens this year, United look set up for the next five years. Alex has hung on long enough to get it right.

He's arranged his club so that he has got the best system. He doesn't have to worry at night." Unlike Pleat, who faces an insomniac's existence until Luton's fate is

Their football was of a high enough order to expose frail-ties in United's esteemed dece, in which Pallister, the PFA's player of the year, re-ceived only brickbats. By the 24th minute, United could have been trailing to an own goal by Pallister, a thumping drive from Pembridge (which smashed against the crosshar) and a close-range effort from certainly Varadi, if not Harford. Instead, they found themselves ahead, thanks to

a typical piece of aggressive

ball-winning by Hughes and a shot from Sharpe through Chamberlain's legs. The extent of their ambitions duly reached, United

attempted to enforce early Saturday afternoon closing but not before Harford had slipped past the security guards, Pallister and Bruce, in the 51st minute to purchase an equaliser with a header past Schmeichel after first hitting the crossbar. Luton might have snatched a ing minutes had the United goalkeeper not been quite so hot and Stein, on for barely two minutes, so cold.

Hardly surprising then, that United seemed to be happier with their point than Luton were. After nine draws in their last 15 games, it was, perhaps, no more than Uni-

achieved, however, without some cost. A less commendable example of Hughes's ag-gression, when he trampled on Kamara, earned him a booking which will keep him out of United's last game at home, to Tottenham Hot-spur, unless the kick-off can be put back a fraction. Parker will be indisposed even longer by a hamstring participation for England in the European championship. With Ince, also out for the rest of the season. United will have to dig deep into their resources to stay ahead of Leeds United.

Had Luton not had to scratch the bottom of their own all season, they might not be in quite the perilous position they are now, cross-

they've got an easy one — at home to West Ham," Pleat said. "Steady on," came a voice from the back of the didn't see you there," Pleat replied. It was just another of those ghosts from the past, circa '66, refusing to lay down.

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Blackburn Rovers.

By LOUISE TAYLOR

WILL Kenny Dalglish still be

manager of Blackburn

Rovers next season? It is the

question on everybody's lips

at Ewood Park, but received

short shrift from the man

"You have no right to ask

that," Dalglish informed an

interrogator after watching

Rovers lose their sixth

successive second division

game on Saturday. They have

now won just one of their last

12 matches and could strug-

gle to qualify for the play-offs,

let alone automatic pro-

After an outlay of almost £6

million on eight new players

since his arrival as manager in October, it is hardly the

scenario Dalglish had in

mind. Reflecting on this latest setback, he said that Rovers

were "playing very well" and lacked only "a fortuitous bounce of the ball". To an

impartial observer, it looked

like Blackburn had per-

Bristol City.....

Ipswich Town.....

BY PETER ROBINSON

WINNING championships

and promotion are always

more fun when you do it at

home. Somehow, the celebra-

tion goes with more of a

swing in front of 20,000 de-

lirious supporters than a mere 2,000 travelling die-

hards. Perhaps that is why

Ipswich appear content to de-

lay their party until Grimsby

Town visit Portman Road

Despite a midweek defeat

at Sunderland, victory in

Bristol on Saturday would

have guaranteed Ipswich a

place in the Premier league

next season - indeed, with

favourable results elsewhere.

they may have won the sec-

and division outright - but

instead, wearing their mantle

of champions-elect more like

a set of leg-irons, they lost as

feebly as they have all season.

bit uptight", was one of the

understatements of the year

It was obvious from the

start that this was not the

team that last week opened a

ten-point gap at the top of the

THESE are happy days for

Henson, has just been made manager of the month.

Shaun Goodwin has been

picked for the representative

fourth division team and

their pitch at Millmoor has

been declared the best in its

point they earned against Maidstone United at Watting

Street on Saturday took them

into third place, the last of the automatic promotion positions. In fact, the goalless draw was less than they de-

served. They only advanced because Blackpool, Burnley

and Mansfield Town were all

Even allowing for some

wastage, a lead of three goals would not have flattered

Rotherham's first-half perfor-

mance. The Bermudian for-

ward, Goater, headed against

the bar. Goodwin hit the in-

side of a post with a low shot

and Hesford made a string of

fine saves. Goodwin, so impressive, seems bound for

without a match.

More importantly, the

Rotherham United. Phil

Rotherham pointed

in right direction

By Keith Blackmore

In the event, John Lyali's remark afterwards, "We got a

Leicester City,

Leicester keep Blackburn in suspense

Mounting tension

starts to get the

better of Dalglish

formed badly. Bedding in

eight newcomers was never

going to be easy but you have

because they felt he was past

his best, which was how he

looked throughout a nonde-

script appearance. Similarly,

Swindon Town must be con-

gratulating themselves on

collecting £800,000 for the

sale of Duncan Shearer, aged

29, and lacking the touch of a

first divison player.
On the positive side, Alan Wright (£500,000 from

Blackpool) did well at left

back, as did Roy Wegerle

(E1.3 million from QPR), the

most exciting forward on

view although the only one to score was Kevin Russell, of

Leicester. Put through by by

the influential Gary Mills after 75 minutes, the substi-tute confronted only Bobby

Mimms. The Blackburn

goalkeeper succeeded only in parrying the ball back to Rus-

sell, who was left with a sim-

Remaining in second

anything but Premier League

table. Sluggish and diffident,

Ipswich went behind after 37

minutes to Rosenior's delight-

ful lob and it was no more

from a thigh strain, failed to

reappear for the second half,

the already ominious signs seemed even bleaker. With

good reason: Zondervan, re-

placing Wark at centre half.

failed to cope with the impres-

ever going to be one winner

on the day. Bristol took the

points to secure their second

Ipswich, though, were con-

tent to wait their turn. Lyall

was still expecting promotion

to be settled in his team's

favour eventually. "Would you bet against it?" he asked

somewhat rhetorically as the

post mortems got underway.

odds are still very good."

The odds are still good, the

Maidstone reshuffled their

ham were never so dangerous

again, Cunningham proved a

poor replacement for Goater

and if it never seemed likely

they would lose, they may

Today, they entertain

Blackpool at Millmoor and

anything less than a win will give Mansfield the chance to

overtake them. Barnet

moved into fifth place by

beating Gillingham with

goals from Payne and Carter.

the leadership of the third

division by beating Hartle-pool United 2-1, their fifth

successive win. Stoke City

regained second place by

beating Preston North End but their mettle will be tested

today by a visit to fourth-

placed Stocksport County.

MAIDSTONE UNITED: I Hestord; G
Danagai, I. Thompson, M Smallay, G Breen,
D. Oxforow (sub: I Hazel), J Lifes, G
Sambing, S Sendaman, N Eat, R Newson,
ROTHERHAM UNITED: W Marcer, W
Russell, C Helichins, N Richardson, N
Johnson, N Law, S Goodwin, D Barrick, S
Gooder (sub: A Curreinghern), J Howard, D
Hazel,
Featurer, K Marcer.

placed Stockport County.

Birmingham City retained

come to regret those misses.

division future next term.

When Wark, suffering

than they deserved.

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Uptight Ipswich

forced to wait

to query the investments. Presumably Aston Villa released Gordon Cowans

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LECCRER'S

ers secured their fourth successive championship on Saturday when they comfortably beat relegated St Mirren before a capacity crowd at Ibrox (Roddy Forsyth writes). They have now set a premier division record of seven title wins, five of which have been achieved in the last six years.

For the Rangers manager, Walter Smith, there was particular satisfaction because half of the team hasbeen signed since he took over from Graeme Souness a year

Against St Mirren, there was no doubting which team would emerge with the points after McCoist's opening goal

in the nineteenth minute. In the second half, goals by Stevens, another by McCoist, and Huistra completed the

Heart of Midlothian's 2-0 defeat by Dundee United at Tannadice ended their slim hopes and confirmed that the

tie, their manager, had the candour to acknowledge the role his side had played in a dreadful 90 minutes.

Little, who unlike Dalglish has actually made a profit on transfer dealings this year, said: "I thought we lacked our usual mobility and I was very disappointed with them at half-time. We can play an awful lot better."

So, too, can Sunderland. Their 2-0 defeat at Grinsby Townleft the FA Cup finalists facing a relegation scrap but Newcastle United are in spore danger of the third division after losing 1-0 at home

Middlesbrough - three points behind Leicester but with a game in hand and superior goal difference maintained their hopes of automatic promotion, defeating Plymouth Argyle 2-1.

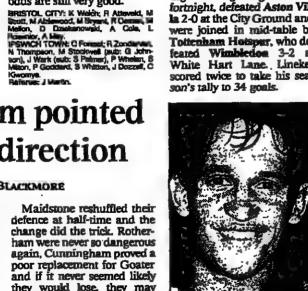
A further blow for Arsenal

ARSENAL'S disappointment at failing to secure a victory against Sheffield United which would have enhanced greatly their chances of claiming a place in next season's Uefa Cup was com-pounded by Sheffield Wednesday's 1-0 victory over Southampton at The Dell.

sive Cole, who made it 2-0 Hirst's 21st goal of an imwith his fifth goal in five ressive campaign was sufficient to consolidate the Although Whitton pulled one back with a late penalty Yorkshire club's position just behind the first division's after Kiwomya had been brought down, there was only

leading two. Notts County's chances of avoiding a swift return to the second division improved, alover faltering Norwich City at Carrow Road, but the fate of West Ham United was all but sealed at Maine Road when first goals of the season by Pointon and Clarke gave

Manchester City a comfortable victory. Nottingham Forest, play-ing their eighth game in a fortnight, defeated Aston Villa 2-0 at the City Ground and were joined in mid-table by Tottenham Hotspur, who de-feared Wimbledon 3-2 at White Hart Lane. Lineker scored twice to take his sea-



Lineker: scored twice

Walker's goal is sufficient

KAREN Walker, of Doncaster Belles, scored the only goal for the England women's side in the Uefa qualifying match at Walsall on Saturday. Scotland, beaten 5-0 by England a year ago, held out until the 54th minute (a Special Corr-

espondent writes).
John Bilton, the England manager, said his side "lacked cohesion", having not played competitively since last October.

He wants to arrange a match before England play their Uefa qualifying match against Iceland on May 17 at

Rangers confirm their pedigree

champions had successfully defended their title.



ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT IN DAKAR SENEGAL

MARY Onyali, among the world's finest sprinters, was walking on the beach here on Friday when an admirer stopped her. She did not recognise Marcel Winkler. and why should she? Winkler, another sprinter, had just crossed the water from what until recently was the sporting castaway is-land of South Africa.

The next day, Onyali and Winkler lined up on the track at the Stade de L'Amitie. Onyali, a world championship finalist in Tokyo last summer, was there in the name of Nigeria, while Winkler wore South African green and gold, an historic moment. South Africa were back in international athletics after 17 years, competing in the Unity Games with 18 other Afri-

can countries. Onyali knows who Winkler is now. Winkler

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

did South Africa's interrational image a favour. She was a coloured South African whose success here was ammunition for those who argue that athletics back home is integrated.

Then, in the final event, the men's 200 metres, Tishakile Nzimande's victory made the day, a black South African winning a sprint. The apartheid argument has always been that blacks succeed only in distance running because they have neither access to facilities nor technical support to be-come successful at the shorter events. The second place of Bobang Phirle, also black, in the 400 metre was

ncouraging too.

None of these performances.

Winkler's mances. Nzimande's 23.20sec. 20.80 and Phirie's 45.92, will concern those whose minds are concentrated on winning Olympic medals in Barcelona. But it was a day when the clapometer

stopwatch. Not once was there a hint of resentment that South Africa were here. Only 35.000 blacks, admitted free, rising from their seats to applaud the one world-class run of the meeting, a white woman at that. Elana Meyer, who is desperate for international competition to extend her, did not find any here.

She should have, with the Kenyan, Susan Sirma, a world championship bronze medal winner, against her. When the Ethiopians failed to arrive, because their team manager fell ill, there were too few runners for races at 1,500 and 5,000 metres. The fields were brought together for a 3,000 metres and Meyer lined up against Sirma and Zola Pieterse (née Budd).

Meyer won in 8 min 41.07sec with nobody else in the finishing straight. What irony there will be if Pieterse, after the fuss of her appearance for Britain

good enough to make the South African team for Barcelona. Primo Nebiolo, the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) president, as good as confirmed here that South Africa would be granted next month the provisional membership it needs to be in

to achieve a time that her country's selectors are Her 9min 05.49sec on Saturday was woefully short of the time she needs. Although the IAAF will accept qualifying performances set last year, when Pieterse ran 8min 35.72sec, South Africa will pick only those who have achieved them this year. "We are concerned about Zola's form," Danie Malan, a selector, said. "I

Barcelona, and Pieterse has

only five weeks left in which

The second half of the Unity Games are in Germiston, South Africa, on Friday

and Saturday. Nebiolo will be in South Africa for the first time. "Finally, we have arrived at the end of this tragedy." he said of South Africa's isolation. Even the rebels who went to South Africa to compete for money during the country's susension are likely to be let back, according to Istvan Gyulai, the IAAF general secretary

The \$1.8 million Unity Games are being funded exclusively by South Africa. But the South African athletes are being paid nothing while the best Africans are receiving up to \$15,000. No problem, according to Dries Vorster, one of perhaps four or five South Africans with Olympic final potential. We just want to compete internationally." Vorster said. "That's our payment."

FOR THE RECORD

DAKAR: African Unity Garmer: Ment. 100m: S Turay (Sierra Leone), 10.45sec. 200m: T Nizimande (SA), 20.80, 400m: B Latiou (Mor), 45.99, 800m: P Plusio (Ken), 137.95, 5,000m: 1 R Cheiron (Ken), 13.25.55, 400m: p Plusio (Ken), 13.25.55, 400m: p Plusio (Ken), 13.25.55, 400m: p Plusio (Ken), 13.25.55, 200m: 1 R Minder (SA), 23.20, 2 M Onyali (Nigoria), 23.43, 400m: p Tusur (Nigoria), 23.25, 2, M Onyali (Nigoria), 23.43, 400m: p Tusur (Nigoria), 23.25, 3,000m: 1, E Meyer (SA), 8min 41.07sec; 2 Z Pinderse (SA), 9.05.49, 400m hurdles: M Bothras (SA), 9.05.49, 400m; India S (Tale (SA), 400m; India S (Tale (SA), 400m; India S (Tale (SA), 400m; India ATHLETICS

BADMINTON GLASGOW: European champtonshipe:
Pinets: Men's singles: P-E Hoyer-Lareen
(Den) bt T Stue-Lauridsen (Den), 15-10,
15-10. Meh's doubles: J HotelChristensen and T Lund (Den) bt J
Paulsen and H Svarrer (Den), 15-10,
15-10. Meh's doubles: J HotelChristensen and H Svarrer (Den), 15-9, 15-5.
Women's singles: P Nedergasard (Den) bt
C Martin (Den), 12-10, 6-11, 7-11. Women's doubles: Lim Xiao Oing and C
Magnusson (Swe) bi M Thomsen and L
Stuer-Lauridsen (Den), 8-15, 15-11, 15-6.
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(Den) bt J Hotsi-Ciristensen and G
Mogeness (Den), 15-4, 9-18, 15-12.

BASEBALL MATIONAL LEAGUE: Friday: New York
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Pirates 7, Philadelphis Philises 4; San
Frencisco Gients 7, Chronnast Reds 3;
Housson Astros 3, Sen Diego Padres 1.
Los Angeles Dodgers 7, Atlanta Braves 5
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Cardinals 4; San Francisco Giants 7,
Cinchvall Reds 3; Houslan Astros 4, San
Diego Padres 2, Los Angeles Dodgers 7,
America Braves 3.

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Friday: Boston

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BASKETBALL BASKETBALL

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (NBA): Friday: Chusago Bulls 121, Albania Hawka 55; Phideologhia 75ers 122, Chranotte Harnets 112; Sen Antonio Spurs 108, Denver Nuggets 94; Cleveland Cavalians 107, Indiana Pacera 102; Dallas Mavericks 109, Houston Rockets 106; Ulain Jazz 120, Minnasota Timberwolves 106; Sealte Supersonics 130. Sacramento Kinga 106; Golden Strie Warnors 116, Los Angeles Lakers 109, Portland Trail Blazera 101; Philadelphia 75ers 111, Washington Butletts 104; New Jersey Nets 127, Orlando Magic 111, New York Kricks 114, Milvraulae Bucks 103

CARLSBERG LEAGUE PLAY-OFFS: First division Quality 106; New Jersey Nets 127, Portlando Magic 111, New York Kricks 114, Milvraulae Bucks 103

CARLSBERG LEAGUE PLAY-OFFS: First division Quality First Gridelon Quarter-final, second lag: Worthing Bears 123 Overon 34, Baker 27, Rogers 23, Hubbard 16, Scott 15),

Semi-finat: Busy Lobos 90, Plymouth Raiders 84. Third division: Semi-fixusic Crystal Palece 87, Leicester 78; Solent 70, Swindon 51. Women's first division: Semi-finals; Sheffield 79, London YMCA 80; Thurnes Valley Tigers 71, Nothinghams Wild Cats 39.

CANOEING DEVIZES TO WESTHAMSTER RAZE. Senior doubles: K Bowerbank and A Freeman (Bradford-on-Aven), 17th 15min 15min 17min 17min

CRICKET TAUNTOR: Tour metch (50 overs): Somerset 256-8 (C J Tavaré 54): Nother-lands 124. Somerset won by 132 runs.

CYCLING TOUR OF ARAGON: First stage (Bueca to Calastorae, 147/mir; 1, O Ludwig (Ges), 3ly 43/mir 19sec; 2, C Moreda (Sp.); 3, P Van Petegerr (Belt); 4, A Guiterrez (Sp.); 5, A Bartov (CS); 6, M Induretn (Sp.), all seme time Second stage (Calatorae to Teruel, 160km); 1, Ludwig, 414:30; 2, J C Gonzalez (Sp.); 3, Saltov; 4, P Silva (Por); 5, Moreda; 5, U Rash (Ce), all same time. Overall; 1, Ludwig, 7:57:48; 2, Moreda, same time; 3, Saltov, same time.

HILTON HEAD SELAND, South Carolina: Heritage Classic: Leaders after three rounds (U8 unless steed; 201: D Love B. 67, 87, 67 204: M O'Meara, 68, 65, 70, 206: G Back, 89, 65, 71, 206: W Lov, 69, 69, 69 207: FRoyd, 74, 63, 70; B Fleisher, 68, 68, 71; F Zoeler, 73, 67, 67; P Blackmar, 69, 70, 68, R Gäder, 71, 70, 65; J Maggeri, 71, 68, 68
TOKYO: Aso open tournament: Final scores (Japan unless stated) 221: P Senior (Haus), 70, 70, 71, 282; R Gibson (Carl), 73, 68, 72, 69 263: T Inagaki, 69, 70, 74, 70, 284: T Yoneyman, 72, 70, 72, 70; N Kewshami, 74, 71, 69, 70; K Maisa, 71, 70, 72, 71; T Ozzal, 73, 68, 71, 72. British: 291: P Hoad, 71, 72, 75, 73. STDCKERIDGE, Georgia: Women's tournament: Leaders after three rounds (US unless stated): 205: D Richard, 67, 67, 71, 207: D Mochrie, 70, 69, 68, 203: D Ammacoapane, 71, 70, 67; £ Danel, 68, 71, 69, 209: M Edge, 69, 74, 64, 61, E Crostly, 71, 67, 71, 210; H Alfredson, 71, 68, 71, 71, 226; H Maredson, 71, 68, 71, 72, 222: Huang Ble-Shyun (Talwart), 75, 73, 73, 222; Huang Ble-Shyun (Talwart), 75, 78, British: 227: A Nicholas, 73, 77, 77.

GYMNASTICS

PARIS: World chemplonships: Man: Penimel horse: equal 1, Gs Su Pee (N Kor), V Soherbo (CiS) and Li Jing (China), 9.860pts Rings: 1, Scherbe, 9.900; 2, 3 Coollary (Hun), 9.850; 3, G Misutin (CiS), 9.837. High ber: 1, Misutin, J.862; 2, Li Jing, 9.825, 3, I Korobchinski (CiS), 9.787. Vault: 1, You Ok-youl (Skor), 9.875, 2, Korobchinski, 9.587; 3, V Colon (P Rico), 9.581, Parallel barnisequal 1, A Voropaev (CiS), 9.80 Li Jing, 9.877, 3, V Belenki (CiS), 9.80. Floor: 1, Korobchinski, 9.812; 2, Scherbo, 9.867, 3, V Belenki (CiS), 9.80. Floor: 1, Korobchinski, 9.812; 2, Scherbo, 9.687, 3, M Krahberg (Ger), 9.812; 2, Scherbo, 9.867, 3, M Krahberg (Ger), 9.812; 2, Scherbo, 9.897, 3, M Krahberg (Ger), 9.812; 2, Scherbo, 9.897, 3, M Krahberg (Ger), 9.812; 2, Scherbo, 9.812; 3, M Krahberg (Ger), 9.812; 2, Scherbo, 9.90; 3, M Pasca (Rom), 9.887 Beam: 1, K Zmeskal (US), 9.925; equal 2, M Neculta (Rom) and Li Viding (China), 9.85. Floor: 1, Zmeskal, 9.837; 2, Onod, 9.912, equal 3, Neculta and T Lisenko (CiS), 9.887.

repart: Under-18: Spain 1, Netherlands 5: Germany 10. France 0: England 8, Switzerland 0; England 1, Spain 0; France 1, Netherlands 6; Germany 13, Switzerland 0. Under-18: Spain 1, Netherlands 8, Germany 6, France 1: England 4, Scotland 1; Netherlands 9, France 1; Scotland 0, Germany 11; England 2, Spain 2.

Germany 1; Sociland 0, Belgium 3.

POLKESTONE FESTIVAL: Men: Lloyde Bank 7, Nicosis Trampe 0; The Muppets 4. Whody Millers 6; Chartoni St. Peter 5, Nottingham University 4; Impenal College 0, Old Churcherians 5; Serke Bombers 1, The Flops 0; East Brook Culveris 1, United Hospitals 1; Ghosts 1, Ladykillers 3, Folkestone Optimists Youth 1, Selwyn College 2; EU Theracians 2, Folkestone Pessimists 0; Berkhamsted 6, Oxpolyticians 1; Berningham University Nermaids 1 Caffornies 5; Folkestone Optimists 0, The OAPs 1, Darlington 3, Durham University 2; Cytringaisms 5, The Flops 2; Folkestone Pessumists 2, Nottingham University 9; Nicosia Tramps 1, Old Dragons 3; United Hospitals 1, Windy Millers 0; Chalfont St. Peter 1, Durham University 9; Mocals Tramps 1, Durham University 2; Cacknotts 0, Cork Church of Ireland 9; Ghosts 2, Royal Uccle 3; EU Thenesians 1, Exster University 1; Cocknotts 1, Odd Churcherians 4; Darlington 3, The OAPs 3; Birmingham University Marmaids 8, Selvyn Cadege 3; Mappets 2, Eastbrook Culvert 3; Ciffornies 3, Oxpolyticians 0; Ladykillers 2, Lloyde Bent 0.

Culvint 3; Cifrionville 3, Oxpolyticens 0;
Ledykillers 2, Lloyds Bank 0.

WEYMOUTH FESTIVAL: Men: Bulls 1, 58a 7; Board 5, Greenshanks 0; Redskins 1, Adelaide 1; Wywerns 0; Sutfers 1; Adelars Euth 4, Bedkinobs A 1; Wayhares 2; MTA 5; Sirollers 3, Stonkeys 0; Sacknobs 4, Buffalce 1; Hangovers 1, Barnestombers 3, Ghoste 0; Dowdes 4, Bufgles 1; Muffins A 4, 58e A 1; Knares 2, Host 2; Lors 2, Blub Badgers 1; Tulse Hill 5, Pigrims 4; Adelaide A 0, Wayhares A 3; Pressant Pluckers 1, Nero's Barthday XI 2, VVHEO 2, Les Slammeurs 2; Herons 5, ORCS 1, Strollers A 4, Sile A 3; Barnestomers 1, Budgles 0; Ghoste 0; Cigoste 0; Fossies 0; Boars 1, Adelaide 1; Bedkinobs 2, Soncerers 3; Sile 0, Muffins 2, Bedkinobs 2, Soncerers 3; Sile 0, Muffins 2, Bedkinobs A 1, Negger's A 0; Pigrims 10, Sutfers 2; ORCS 5, Wayferers 0; MTA 9, Bulls 0; Ghoste A 1, Redskins 3; Greenshanks 0, Redokins 4, Dowdes 1, Tulse Hill 3; Muffins 2, Darmstadt 0; Lorss 3, VVHEO 2; Horst 1, Nero's Birthdey XI 0; Silve Bedgers 0, Bendinos 0; Strollers 2, Adelaide A 1, Ghoste A 9; Los Stammeurs 2, Soncerers 1; Muffirs A 2, Redskins A 2, United Silve 2, Redskins 4, Choste A 1; Brost Stringer 5, Fossies 0; Adelaide A 1, Ghoste A 9; Los Stammeurs 2, Soncerers 1; Muffirs A 2, Redskins 2, United Services 0; Barnes Birnbos 2, Seasiders 0; Crocodies 0, Wolves 1; Dambusters 0, Silve 5, Barclays Bank 0, Horstond 3, Beas Beasa 0, Redskins 2, Silve 1, Redden 0, Felsters 1, Hardybags II 1, Dead Cats 6; Mouthplecos 0, Felsters 1, Bott 9, Redskins 2, Seasiders 0, Fall Slugs 2; Dembusters 1, Doly Mistures 1; Snots 0, Chippenham 0; Horstond 3, Beas Beasa 0, Redskins 2, Seasiders 0, Bernes Birnbos 1, New Samm 1; Redden 0, Blue Belies 1, Slegs 2, Bern Pack 2; Wolves 0, Fosters Bogs 2; Seasiders 0, Bernes Birnbos 1, New Samm 1, Redden 0, Blue Belies 1, Slegs 2, Bern Pack 2; Wolves 0, Fosters Bogs 2; Seasiders 0, Gredskins 2, United Bervices 3, Wesmouth 0; Gress-hoppers 0, Wolves 1, Dest 2, Hamilpose 1, Slegs 2, Bern Pack 2; Wolves 0, Fosters Bogs 2; Seasiders 0, Seasiders 0; Red

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Pieterse admitted. The mo-

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turned with South Africa's

CARDIFF: Commonwealth tournament:
Men: Under-56 kilos: 1, A Swarbrook
(Engl: 2, L Mafura (Zam); 3, M Teylor
(Soot) and L Preston (Wales). Under60sg: 1, J Picton (Wales), 2, S Sulfivan
(Maria), 5, S Commenville (Soot) and K Lee
(Hong Kong) Under-86sg: 1, J-P Bel
(Engl: 2, J Charles (Weles); 3, P Leisman
(Soot) and D Sommenville (Soot), Under71leg: 1, M Omagbalyman (Negaria); 2, D
Klassen (Engl; 3, A Panfold (Soot) and A
Higgine (Wales), Under-78leg: 1, D
Southby (Engl; 2, G Spanks (NZ); 3, S
Huse (Nigeria) and J Pae (Wales), Under86sg: 1, C Bacon (Aus); 2, J Moothy (NZ);
3, L Alexander (Engl and J McNeil (Soot),
Lander-96sg: 1, D Sargent (Engl), 2, W
Matson (NZ); 3, P Youens (Wales) Under86sg: 1, C Baltimona (India); 3, S Holmes
(Wales), Womart Under-4kag: 1, J Henon
(Soot); 2, E Smith (Engl); 2, D Robertson
(Soot), 3, F Robertson (Soot) and D Hilton
(NZ), Under-52kg: 1, E Sunamer (Engl);
2, R Granger (Aus); 3, M Sunon (Wales)
and L Craig (Soot), Under-68kg: 1, A
Deacon (Aus); 2, K Robertson (Wales),
Linder-81kg: 1, K Wer (Soot); 2, M
Revelay (Eng); 3, L Pace (Malia) and N
Monte (NZ), Under-68kg: 1, C Cowen
(Engl; 2, T Devision (Wales), 3, K Ribble
(Can) and J Maliay (N ke) (L C) (Can) and J Maliay (N ke)
(Linder-72kg: 1, K Knowkee (Engl);
1, R Sweetman (Eng); 2, C Obekpe
(Milgers), 3, T Down (NZ) and T Evans
(Wales), Over-72kg: 1, K Knowkee (Engl),
2, L McDonald (N ke); 31 Weir (N rai) and
D Price (Wales).

MOTORCYCLING

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A Janus-tyl (Pol), 21-5,
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Martiue (Arg) at P Sangeras (US), 61, 2-6,
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TAMPA: Men's clay-count fournament:
Semi-finais: M Washington (US) bit F
Davin (Arg), 63, 4-8, 6-2; J Yzapa (Peru)
bt C Meczada (Switz), 67, 6-4, 7-4
BANGKOK: Women's tournament:
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Basuki (Indo), 4-6, 6-2, 6-2, 5 Appelments
(Bel) bit N Mechedova (Pussa), 6-4, 6-9
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7-5.
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tournament: Semi-finais: M Seles (Yug)
bt L Giddenesicor (Peru), 6-4, 6-1, 7
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MONTREUX, Switzerland: Women's international tournament: Final: Cuba bit China, 3-2. Play-off for third place: South Koree bt United States, 3-1.

Overwhelming support just fails to inspire Cornwall to a successful county title defence

Lancashire's pot equals the record

By DAVID HANDS RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

"WE'VE had the pudding." one Cornish banner read, referring to the semi-final victory over Yorkshire, "now for the hot-pot". Sadly for the thousands who flocked out of Cornwall to Twickenham on Saturday, though, Lancashire's hot-pot came seasoned thoroughly enough to win the ADT county championship by a goal and a penalty goal to two penalties.

It was a notable triumph. concluding for Lancashire a season in which they won the colts championship and shared, in Saturday's curtainraiser, the under-21 championship with Surrey. The senior tearn, which had never played together before, came to grips with the emotion of a final which, off the pitch, was

"The atmosphere hit us when we came out for the team photograph," Mike Kenrick, the Lancashire captain, said after their fifteenth championship had equalled Gloucestershire's record. But it worked in our favour because it made us more resolute." Kenrick, mixing his alphabetical metaphors, said the plan based on the three Ds - defence, determination and discipline - worked to a T although he confessed that the final five minutes were like an eternity as Cornwall forced scrum after scrum on

"The financial situation in Comwall isn't that good," Glyn Williams, their captain, and saved to come up here and we gave it our best shot. I think they knew that; that's why we went round the field afterwards, to thank them."

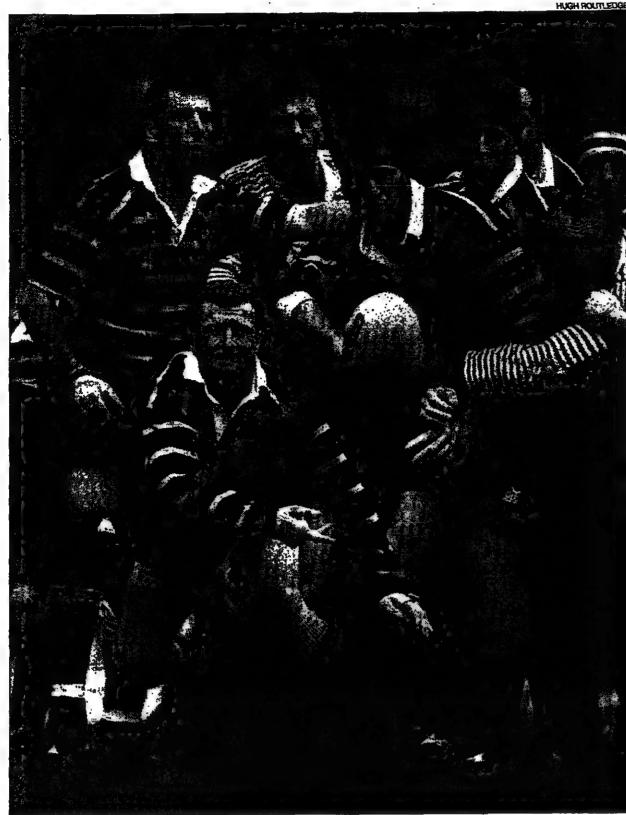
But strip the occasion of its Twickenham been so dominated by one favour, black and gold — and the match itself was riddled with basic playing errors and an absence of tactical appreciation. Cornwall never understood

enough, strong enough and knowledgeable enough to hold them in the set-pieces and in the mauls and that their best plan might have been to permit Laity, in the centre, to run the show, particularly after the loss in the first five minutes of Peters, the stand-off half.

His injury reflected no credit on the Lancashire forgame that he had to retrieve his own knock-on and was enveloped by Ireland. Trapped at the bottom of a ruck, three opposing players ran over his head and the surprise was only that he got to his feet so quickly before being assisted off with a deep scalp wound. Nor was it the only occasion when Lancathey placed their feet and two of their tight forwards were distinctly fortunate to remain

Cornwall made no complaint; their own game is robust enough but lacks the subtlety which only Laity, the exile in Neath, provided. The title-holders led for only four minutes of the first half, when Thomas kicked his first penalty. Jackson's speculative kick from a missed clearance bounced back for the Lancashire full back to leap above the cover and touch down.

Shortiv after the interval. Grayson succeeded with his only penalty attempt and, in gret spurning kicks at goal in favour of tapped penalties al-though he finally gave Thomas a second attempt, which squeezed over. Not even the overwhelming support could



The pain and the glory: the strain shows as Nancekivell gets the ball away for Comwall in the final

Swansea fulfil all expections in a grand spectacle

BY GERALD DAVIES

second season, this match gave the Heineken League the rare feeling of maturity and of excellence, hitherto absent because of player petu-lance or the clubs' fear of failure. There cannot have been a better league match

The potent brew was stirred not only by the championship itself being at stake between the two best teams in Wales but also because it encompassed the sensitivity of the needle-point rivalry of near neighbours. This made for a pectacle in the grand manner. Expectation had sat on the air for days and, for once, was amply rewarded.

Swansca's victory by a goal and a penalty to a penalty says everything about the closeness of the challenge but not of the thrills, enthusiasm and discipline that attended

St Helen's, within the re-strictions of the ground-safety act, was full to capacity, although there were others who put their own safety in jeopardy by clinging on to whatever and escape-ladders of the houses overlooking the ground. A disconsolate 1,000 more, left outside when the gates shut on them after the start had been delayed 15 minutes, heard the roar as Gibbs charged down the mid-field from the first lineout in his own half. With that, he made abundantly clear that neither side wished to entertain a negative thought.

If Swansea had to exorcise back to November 1987, this was the moment to do so. Within their ranks, Swansea had two of the afternoon's magnificent and crucial

provoked a curious lobby of

the critical moment for this ctub and, more personally. against his rival this season for the Welsh team place, Rupert Moon, he gave an accomplished performance.

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All his considerable skills were on display. Twice, early on, he picked up the ball and simultaneously cast an eye for the gap to cut a classical swath through Lianelli's de-fence. Long passes or short. flip or reverse, there were all

He chose unerringly. And if ever there was a need for the last line of defence, as there was in the last quarter when the visitors gave their final powerful throw, Jones was

Webster, too, excelled, hurthing onto the loose ball, causing fear in the heart of Stephens and Williams at full back, whenever the high ball ling cut short Llanelli's backrow thrusts. He was an influential player, along with the supporting Davies, who gave the platform for their little general behind them.

However, it was Aled Wilpoints. Although Stephens had kicked a penalty, it was Swansea's try which brought the crowd to its feet. If Webster and Davies were crucial in the early movement and Williams provided the coup liams's conversion gave them the half-time lead and wind advantage in the second half.

Amid all the cut and thrust and the mounting tension aroused by Lianelli's resurgence, only a penalty came Swansea's way. As Williams win only one of their last two matches - Newport (away) next Saturday or Pontypool

More punches than points as a feast goes to waste

Gloucester...

By BARRY TROWSRIDGE

BRAWN far outweighed brain at Kingsholm on Satur-day when Gloucester and Wasps slugged out a rear-ranged, often ill-tempered Courage Clubs Championship fixture. With league points incidental, it should have been better, but after a lacklustre opening spell, the game fell apart.

Had there been as much skill as there was friction between the front and back rows, it would have been a glorious feast of rugby. Sadly, the lasting memory is of the former being twice called to task for instigating mass brawls at scrums, and the latter swinging wildly at each other at regular intervals. Towards the end of the first

half, there were signs that things might improve, but it was no more than fancy. Within a minute of taking a tapped penalty in the Wasps 22. Gloucester remembered who they were, that it was, after all, a league match, and the fancy had flown. Martin Roberts was summoned from

full back, over went his secand penalty goal and tedium

nothing to help. Having travelled from Durham, John Pilgrim, had already been



Pilgrim: marked man

outstanding moment of play, Gloucester deserved their victory. Roberts and Pilgrim The refereeing certainly did had exchanged penalty goals when, after 24 minutes,

Pearson will not have enjoyed his journey home. Two doubt-ful offside decisions in four minutes against Derek Morgan, the Gloucester right wing, turned the crowd against him, although a penalty to Wasps for an uninten-tional off-the-ball obstruction, when they were in possession, and the most generous of marks awarded to Steve

regained the six-point advan-tage before half-time after Pilgrim had landed a simple chance, but with the wind behind him, the Wasps' full back was foiled by a post when attempting to convert Ott's up in the second half. Roberts closed the scoring with a third penalty goal with a full half-hour's mediocrity still to come.

Wasps stole a Gloucester

SCORIERS: Gloucester: Try: Gardiner. Conversion: Roberts. Penalty goals: Rob-erts (3). Wisspa: Try: Os. Penalty goals: erts (3), Wampir: Try: Oil. Penility goars: Picrim (2), Carpinin (3), Ca

Outcome masks the flaws

Barbarians.

By Peter Bills

lineout 30 metres from their TEN tries and 51 points in the annual Easter Saturday line. Control, though, was poor, Deacon, Gloucester's mobile tight-head prop. fixture at the Arms Park sug-gests all is well with the tradiforced an error, and when the tion of this match. Alas, the ball broke on the home side, reality is somewhat different. The Barbarians victory for Gardiner carved his way through before touching

the second year running in no way masked the deficiencies. down wide on the right. Roberts converted well and As to the outcome, had Rayer's conversion of a 29th minute try by Hall not hit the post and bounced away, Cardiff would have squeezed The absence of truly high-

class skill was disturbing. Hall, one of the few players to provide that quality, departed after 49 minutes, Cardiff bringing on Booth, a deputy scrum half, to play at centre. Cardiff's season has been a catalogue of misfortune and failure, yet the side did score the outstanding try of the

> Ironically, Booth began it, throwing a long pass to Rayer five yards from his own line. The full back dummied. made progress and put Jef-freys away on the left. When the cover threatened. Booth was inside him to dive the final three yards for the line.
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> The Barbarians side bore little relation to the star-studded teams they have usually

fielded in this fixture. Maclean, a centre, had to play full back. There was just enough craft in players like Shiel, Barley and Oliver, assisted by Smith and Ennis up front, to get the

Barbarians home. Barley, by scoring one try and helping make three, showed what a fine footballer he has been. Cardiff led briefly 17-6 and then 17-12 at half-time. But superior Barbarians' pace put them in charge in the second half until Cardiff's late rally.

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Scorers: Cardiff: Tries: Hell (2), Edwards, Rayer, Booth Correstsion: Flayer. Pennsty goet: Rayer. Barbarians: Tries: Olver, Ennis, Woodland, Shanger, Basiey, Corressions: Oliver (3).

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BY DAVID HANDS ALTHOUGH New Zealock, also suffered an injury and could be replaced on Wednesday by Blair Larsen. The World XV will probably

land's team for the second touring World party on Wednesday will not be confirmed until this morning, there is speculation that Grant Fox will lose his place after the 28-14 defeat in the first of the three centenary matches in

Fox played stand-off half in a back division which func-tioned poorly and it has been suggested that Walter Little may move up from centre, leaving a vacancy for Eroni Clarke, the Auckland centre, to win his first cap. However the only addition to the All Blacks party over the week-end was that of Glen Taylor, the uncapped North Auck-land lock/flanker, in the light of injuries to Ian and Michael

cated his finger and is the more doubtful. Michael Jones, the flanker, damaged a hamstring during last week's trials but went off against the World XV as a precaution. Mark Cooksley, the Counties

ADT county championship Final

Cornwall: Pens: Thomas (2). Lan-cashire: Try: Jackson. Con: Grayson. Pen: Grayson.

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include Nick Farr-Jones, the Australian captain, at scrum half alongside Naas Botha, of South Africa. The result of this march will

be a setback for the new All Blacks coach, Laurie Mains, who would have been looking to get his tenure away to a better start and also to atone for failure in last year's World

Instead, New Zealand were humbled by a fast-paced World XV who forced the All Blacks into multiple errors with a sparkling backline display and aggressive secondphase forward play. The South African wings,

Martin Knoetze, with one, and Pieter Hendriks, two scored the World XV's tries and the French stand-off half, Didier Camberabero, kicked 13 points. New Zealand scored two tries in the last 13 minutes, one of them a powerful individual effort from the left wing, Va'aiga

Tuigamala, to add respectability to the score, which was

25-6 at one stage.
The new-look All Blacks, with three new caps, won the lion's share of possession from the lineouts but scrums were evenly matched. Contrary to expectations, Fox re-lied heavily on tactical kicking, which failed to produce points.

Rigorous defence by the World XV styrnied their attempts to run the ball and induced panic in the New Zealand backs, who contin-ually fumbled possession hard won by their forwards. In contrast, the World XV's backs were scintillating in attack, and the performance of the South African wings

will give the world's rugby fraternity something to think about as their nation returns to the international arena. The centres, Tim Horan, of

Australia, and Jeremy Guscott, of England, were a for-midable combination, and Gavin Hastings, the Scotland full back, added a near fault-

Surrey rue errors by Buntland

SURREY, in their first county final at any level for 2i years, did remarkably well to share the ADT under-21 trophy in a 16-16 draw with Lancashire at Twickenham and might have won had not Butland, their stand-off half, missed three penalties in extra time (David Hands

That, perhaps, was justice since Greenwood had been even more profligate in the first half of proper time, when he missed six assorted kicks at goal for Lancashire.

That was the period when Lancashire, with all the territory and nearly all the posses sion, should have won the

Instead, they reached the interval trailing 6-4 after inspired last-ditch resistance by Surrey.

Blyth, the Waterloo No. 8.

looked a lively player and Surrey's backs promised much, notably Wyke on the wing and Butland, whose handling was so sure at times of crisis.

☐ Two second-half tries by Mike Corcoran, on the right wing, gave London Irish a 19-14 victory at Bristol that secured their survival in the first division of the Courage Clubs Championship. Plymouth Albion's prospects of relegation from the second division increased after their 10-9 defeat by already-promoted London Scottish. Rawlings kicked three penalty goals for Albion but tries by Grecian and Crozin, the second converted by Appleson, proved decisive.

☐ John Perkins is standing down at the end of the season after four years as Pontypool coach. He is hoping to take up another job on the club's

Italy continue their progress

BY BEATING Romania 39-13 in the FIRA championship in Rovigo at the weekend, Italy have established their credentials as the second most powerful continental team after France. At the same time, they provided the Home Unions with the required evidence that they are ready to be upgraded to

Bath suffer a trying time

Bath. Treviso ...

BY OWEN JENKINS

WITH Bath fielding a second XV. Saturday's game was further diminished by the withdrawal from the Treviso side of Michael Lynagh, the Australian stand-off half.

That the game eventually produced seven tries could hardly have been envisaged during a first period short on excitement and adventure. It was more like a rugby ping-pong game with both sides intent on kicking the leather off the ball. All the first half points followed kicks, three penalty goals from Willett, the Bath stand-off and a try by Hasg, the second row forward, who charged down and collected an attempted clearance. Collodo, the Treviso stand-off, who kicked a penalty for the visitors, also instigated a second-half revival with his incisive breaks.

So pronounced was the transformation that it was if somebody had asked the teams at the interval to play a bit of rugby since this was neither a cup maich nor a league encounter.

With both sides now playing a fluid, if erratic game, in attempting to keep the ball alive, the tempo rose immeasurably. But besides being so much stronger in the scrum. the Italians also possessed an overall sharpness and were swifter than Bath.

They went on the offensive, taking a two-point lead with three tries, from Annibal, the second row, and two from Crescenzo, the lively inside half. Sandwiched between was a tremendous individual effort from 40 metres out by Willett for Bath, who were to find themselves back in the lead when frustration got the better of the Italians.

scoring pass after Cescon, the full back, had intercepted in

hìs own half.

SCORERS: Butt: Tries: Hang, Willist: Pensity goals: Wilet (4), Reeman. Tre-visor: Tries: Annibal, Cascoraru (2), Collado, Vizernin. Conversione: Collado (4), Pensity goal: Collado. BATH: 16 Buckinghem (rep: T Penemen); M. Sperios, I. Lewis, A. Walbor, P. Blackett: D. Williett, S. Knight; R. Lee, C. Alidnu, J. Neillett, G. Adamm, M. Heng, P. McCoy, S. Ojomoln, N. Mastern. Master TREVISC: L. Cescon; L. Perziano, S. Zorzi, E. Calelin (sep: A. Vizantin), L. Mismisti O. Collodo, M. Crescenzo; N. Corbanese, M. Trevisiol, G. Rossi, R. Dolsato, S. Asrelbal, S. Kelemenic, M. Pavin, F. Coppo... Auteres; J. Pleming (Scottlen 1974).

Penalty goals put Bath 23-19 ahead only for Treviso to once again demonstrate their superior speed. They repelled an attack on their own line and Collodo finished off a length-of-the-field passing movement with several players spare. Vizentin, the reserve centre, then took the

Ultimately, it was a victory for my-scoring rugby which, under the new laws, would have given Treviso victory by 36 points to 25.

Fox may pay the price for poor All Blacks display

international against the Christchurch on Saturday.

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Second division

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Roberts to shine again on Revif MICHAEL Roberts, having Consequently, he is now fulfilling the promise that he

enjoyed an armchair ride on Double Blue when winning the Queen Elizabeth Handicap at Kempton on Saturday, looks poised to win the Rosebery Handicap there on ROOME. lengths suggested.

His two rides have a common factor in that they have both won recently.
But whereas Double Blue

defied a penalty with ease, Revif has been re-rated since winning first time out at Rip-

Having been on the Waterhall training ground at Newmarket last Wednesday when Revif did another excellent piece of work. I am sure that his victory at Ripon was not a flash in the pan.

MANDARIN

101 (17) 102 (12) 103 (5) 104 (1) 105 (16)

110 (19) 111 (6) 112 (13) 113 (4) 114 (9)

115 (14)

2.00 Hung Parliament

2.05 Langtry Lady.
2.35 Langtry Lady.
3.05 Miss Nosey Parker.
3.40 REVIF (nap).
4.10 Touch Of White.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT

napped to prove that he is still one step in front of the handicapper by making light of 8st 10lb this afternoon. At Ripon, Revif won far more easily than the judge's verdict of two

No Submission, who won the corresponding race 12 months ago, was 20 lengths adrift in twelfth place last

Although the weights have been adjusted in No Submission's favour now to 11lb. that does not look enough to bridge such a yawning

Importantly, at Ripon and on Newmarket Heath last Wednesday, Revif showed that he relishs softish ground

RICHARD EVANS

(nap). 4.40 Allegan.

3.40 EASTERN MAGIC

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KEMETONES

2.00 Hung Parliament. 2.35 Langtry Lady. 3.05 Speadoe.

3.40 Revif. 4.10 Miami Banker.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.35 Langtry Lady. 3.40 REVIF (nap).

DRAW: 5F-8F, MIDDLE NUMBERS A DISADVANTAGE IN LARGE FIELDS

2.00 REDSHANK MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-O: \$2,637: 5f) (19 runners)

DSHANK MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-O: 22,637: 5f)

DE CHINE (F P Cheung) J Moore 8-11

FLUR POWER (Brook Lare Associates) B Palling 8-11

GABHADERA (8 Gubby Luft) B Gubby 8-11

GYPSY LEGEND (P Stranger) W G M Turner 8-11

HAWAR STAR (P Pritcherd) G Lewis 8-11

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HALLS RACEADO (Wilson Het Organization) J Berry 8-11

HUNG PARLIAMENT 17 (W Gredley) B Hile 8-11

MOVING IMAGE (Chaveley Park Stud) M Sed 8-11

MICKI-J (D Joseph) R Hennon 8-11

PERFECT PASSION (N Bryco-Smith) J Bridger 8-11

PERFECT PASSION (N Bryco-Smith) J Bridger 8-11

RISK A LITTLE (Roldvels LLd) M Heaton-Eile 8-11

SCENIC REEF (Mr C Researd) J Eustone 8-11

SCENIC REEF (Mr C Researd) J Eustone 8-11

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SCHILA'S SECRET 16 (Sherwoods Thamport Lin) W Carter 8-11

STRIKE-A-POSE (D Chapman) C Williams 8-11

SWEET DISORDER (C Morris) G Pritcherd-Gorden 8-11

SWEET DISORDER (C Morris) G Pritcherd-Gorden 8-11

7-2 Hung Parliament, 9-2 Hitle Receald, S-1 Moving Image, 7-1 Simply Socty, S-1 Nick-J, 10-1 Rain 1 Hawain Ster, 16-1 others.

1991: CENTRAL CITY 8-11 B Raymond (4-1) R Hannon 9 ran

SETTING: 5-1 Langtry Ledy, 6-1 Crossilion, 7-1 Self Expression, 8-1 Berford Led, Petoski's Choice, 18-1 Gitderdale, Secretary Ch State, 12-1 Mulciber, Denzarin, 14-1 Avesome Power, Bowden Boy, 16-1 others.

SELF EXPRESSION on paratitimate start best Campostral (sevele) a rit at Doncaster (tat 2 60/d. good). Git.DEROALE best Scatter (rec 1b) a sin hd at Sandown (1m 2f. good to firm).

LANGTRY LADY on posyultimate start 2nd besten a hd by Habeta (rec 22b) at Severley (1m 100/d. Newmarkst (1m, good). PETOSKOS GROKES meet

Newmerket (1m, good). PETOSKT'S CHOKEE beet Golden Cup (gave 2D) Ind at Leicester (1m, good). AWESOME POWER 2nd besten %I by Dezzle The. Crowd (nec 5b) at Lingfield (1m 2f, standard). BAL-LERINA SAY 4th besien 31th by Bengal Tiger (nec 3b) hare (1m 1t, good to soft). Selection: LANGTRY LADY

1991: DOUBLE ENTENDRE 5-7-17 S O'Gormen (5-1 few) J Akaburst 19 mm **FORM FOCUS**

2.35 DURANTE HANDICAP (£3,002: 1m 1f) (14 runners)

hd by Habeta (rec 22th) at Beverley (1m 100yd, good). MULCIBER 5th of 7 beaten 814 by 5elf Expression (gave 14th) at Acct (1m, good). CROSSILLION 5th beaten 12 by Revit (rec 5th) at Rippen (1m 2; soft). SECRETARY OF STATE 5th beaten 8 by Two Left Feet (gave 7tb) at Brighton (1m 1f 205yd, good to eoft). WINGFIELD 13th of 19

3.05 QUAIL STAKES (£5,299; 6f) (8 runners)

4.40 Allegan. 4.40 Tunbridge Wells. 5.10 Walking The Plank.

THUNDERER

MICHAEL PHILLIPS underfoot, which his trainer,

Alec Stewart, says is a prereq-Virkon Venture is another

who appreciated softer conditions when he won at Ayr and Ascot last autumn. However. unlike Revif, he has not been out this season. Green's Ferneley, Fire Top.

Busted Rock, Double Echo. Western Dynasty and East-ern Magic should be on song following an outing this

Yet it remains my contention that Revif is still leniently treated now that he is at last showed at Leicester last July when he was outstayed over a trip that was probably just too far for him by Micheletti.

Langtry Lady went into my notebook as a likely winner of a race such as the Durante Handicap after I had watched her finish seventh in a more competitive event at Newbury nine days ago. Not only did she start slow-

ly that day, she was also hampered badly two furlongs from home just when she was beginning what looked a promising run. Snaadee's whole attitude to

Pacecard sureber. Draw in bracteria. Sty. figure form (F – fell. P – pulled up. U – unseated rider. S – brought down. S – slipped up. R – natured. D – dequalified). Horse's name. Days since last outing; J & jumps, F if telt. (B – bankars. V – viecr. H – hood. E – Eyestrield. C – course winner. D – distance winner. CD – course and

GREEN'S FERNLEY 7th beaten 1516t by Red Bienop (levels) with BUSTED ROCK 4th beaten 77 and
FIRE TOP (levels) 8th beaten 1316t bere (1m 21,
good to soft).

LUCKY GUEST on intest English ran beat Gramtres (rac 3tb) 41 at Warwick (1m 21 1984d, good).

WILD SABLE 2nd beaten 31 by Citrous Light (gave
Sib) at Warwick (1m 21 170yd, good). (NOCK
IONOCK on perustimate beat Petite Reservas (levels)
hd at Salisbury (1m 12 209yd, good to tren). REVIFbeat tender (pres 15td) 21 even. NC SUBMINSSON
(gave 9tb) 122h of 17 at Ripon (1m 21, soft). NO

4.10 TEAL HANDICAP (52,872: 5f) (11 runners)

racing at Newmarket last Tuesday was so disappointing when he was first reluctant to go to post and then

3.40 ROSEBERY HANDICAP (£10,950: 1m 2f) (14 runners)

BETTUNG: 11-8 Revil, 5-1 Double Echo, 8-1 Fire Top, Wild Sable, 10-1 No Submission, 12-1 Port Sunlight, 14-1 Busted Rock, Lucky Guest, 16-1 Green's Ferneley, 20-1 others. 1991: NO SUBMISSION 5-7-6 D Holland (10-1) C Nelson 15 run

103 (12) 0-0482 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,RF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robboson) B Hall 9-10-0 _____ B Weet (4)

FORM FOCUS

1991: CHOIR PRACTICE 466 C Ruther (7-1) H Chinay 13 rm

FORM FOCUS

1991; FLY AWAY BOON 9-0 T Quinn (9-4 fav) P Cole 19 ran

loy, 16-1 Mertini Exacutive. 1991: JUNGLE KMIFE 5-8-11 C Hodgson (3-1) M Tempkins 10 ren

1891: LATIN QUARTET 9-0 W Litwin (9-1) W Haggas 4 ran

Long handicep: Needwood Poppy 7-2.

BETTING: 3-1 El Moto, 7-2 K-Brigarie, 11-2 Golden Torque, Glestyndate, 8-1 Needwood Poppy, 10-1 Mingus, 16-1 Checky Pol, Grey Commander, 20-1 Dein Park, 25-1 Buzzerde Creet.

1991: TRICOTRIC 47-3 N Kennedy (14-1) G Moore 6 ran

COURSE SPECIALISTS

33.3 J Carroll 32.0 M Birch 27.3 K Desey 20.7 M Connerts 19.4 K Fallon 14.8

Rensest Percent JOCKEYS

5.00 FOREST HALL HANDICAP (22,469: 1m 4f 93yd) (10 runners)

SHOWHEEL BILL 201 (G Cooper) J Wattle 9-0 EHusband 8-4
SHOWHEEL BILL 201 (G Cooper) J Wattle 9-0 EHusband 8-2
SHOWHEEL BILL 201 (G Cooper) J Wattle 9-0 C Mundey 8-9
SHOWHEEL 25 (P Goutandrie) M Prescott 9-0 C Mundey 8-9
SHOWHEEL 25 (P Goutandrie) M Prescott 9-0 C Bontley 9-0 E Bontley 9-0
SHOWHEEL 11 (BF) (M Houlaton) Mire J Ramadan 8-9 Shiphum Duvice 9-99
TESLEHI (M Salem) S Hanbury 8-9 V Bray 9-1

4.30 MELDON APPRENTICE MAIDEN GUARANTEED SWEEPSTAKES (3-Y-O: £2,072: 1m) (7 runners)

4.40 FIFIELD MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,658: 1m 2f) (12 runners)

5.10 MIDDLESEX HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £3,522: 1m) (18 runners)

3.55 NEWCASTLE HANDICAP (27,245: 1m) (9 runners)

5 (S) 8 (4) 7 (T)

TRAINERS

M Preparett B Hanbury M Ryan M Camacho

M. Palon M. Darley

... P Burks

show so little interest in the sprint for the Abernant Stakes. So I am more than happy to side now with Richard Hannon's filly Miss Nosey Parker, who was so consistent last season when constantly doing battle with

some of the best.

Finally, Peter Walwyn, having won with two of his threeyear-olds last week and arguably been a bit unlucky not to have scored also with three more, now has a sound chance of landing the Middlesex Handicap with one of their galloping companions Walking The Plank.

He is reported to be in fine heart and also going well at home

distance winner. BF — beaten fevourite in latest racej. Going on which here hes won (F — firm, good to firm, heard, G — good. S — soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private readioappers ming.

SUBMISSION best Lord Of Tusmers (pave 23b) 2 in this event last year (1m 2f, good). PORT SUN-LIGHT most recent form when beating Sir Dank (rec 5b) 41 at Newbury (1m 1f, good to firm). VIRKON VENTURE 5th beaten 11 by Barkerville (gave 18b) with PORT SURFLIGHT (gave 4b) 7th beaten 13th et Newbury (1m 1f, good). DOUBLE ECHO beat Tiger Clew (rec 10b) 7t at Brighton (1m 1f). WESTERN DYNASTY best flere Cetall (gave 4b) 11 here (1m 4f). EASTERN MAGIC 2nd beaten 8th by Mytontake (no 11b) at Westek (1m 2f). Selection SUSTED NOCE.

W Ryan — M Roberts — J Raid 85 — C Rutter — L Piggott — A Clark 77 — D Holland — W Carson — J Quinn 81

MANDARIN 2.10 Sahel. 2.40 Coppermill Lad. 3.10 Blockade 3.45 Roger Rabbit, 4.15 Sky Hunter, 4.45 Tik Fa. 5.15 Sillars Stalker.

THUNDERER 2.10 Miss Debonair. 2.40 Pretonic. 3.10 Illuminating. 3.45 Stapleton. 4.15 Sky Hunter. 4.45 Til. Fa. 5.15 Sillars Stalker.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT (SOFT IN STRAIGHT) SIS DRAW: 5F-6F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

2.10 ROBIN HOOD MAIDEN STAKES (£1,932: 6f 15yd) (17 runners)

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3 SUPERLATIVEMAXSAIDS J Bernett 46-12 A Proof 5
4 54-0 TRAVEL TOKEN 25 L Holf 48-12. M Adams 8
6 RUE DE REMARCUE 200 M Haynes 46-7 R P Elicit 4
DESERT CHAMP A Scott 3-90. B Raymond 11
7 66-5 EFRA 16 R Hannon 3-90. R P Perham (5) 2
8 4030 FORZA AZZURRI 9 (B) Miss N Macaulay 5-90
8 D Williams (7) 3
9 6- MILTON ROOMS 280 C Booth 3-90. G Oldroyd 9
10 WILL OF STEEL H Candy 3-90. A Musro 17
11 00- BEAR WITH ME 170 M 868 3-99. M Hills 14
12 422- BUNTY BOO 172 8 McMathon 3-89. J Lowes 12
13 000- MATAAL 195 J Balding 3-9-8. Clairs Balding (7) 16
16 04- MISS OLEDONARI 173 D Morley 3-94. M 7-60but 15
17 OUR BILLEN 30 A Read 3-99. M 7-60but 15
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16-2 Sahat. 4-1 Desert Champ, 5-1 Burtry Boo, 6-1 Efra, 8-1 Witt

5-2 Sahel, 4-1 Desert Champ, 5-1 Bunty Boo, 6-1 Etra, 6-1 Will Of Steel, 12-1 Miss Debonair, Princess Dechtra, 16-1 others.

.40 FAMILY DAY OUT HANDICAP

(£2,676: 6f 15yd) (23) 1 200- SERNSTEN BETTE 200 (CD,F,G,S) P Feigate 60-13 J Lowe 18 2 44-0 LORD HIGH ADMIRAL IT IS Hammer 4-8-11 2 40-6 PRETONIC 18 (D,F,G) M Johnston 48-8 R P Elliott 21 4 580- HARRY'S COMING 219 (CD,F,G,S) R Hodges 8-8 5 58-0 PRVESEVENINVEO 17 (D,F,G) R Nodges 4-8 T Thompson (7) 19 T Thompson (7) 18

18 08-0 ALLMAC NOMES 11 M Calegian 3-7-12 L Charmook 11 19 4803 VERRO 14 (B.D.) 3 Bernett 57-11 — A Culture 2 000- GREEN'S STUBING 180 (D.F.) A Barrow 57-10 — 18 10 08- CEATHARLACH 283 R Holder 3-7- — A Proud 9 22 5-00 MSS BRIGHTISIDE 9 A Smith 4-7-7 Derren Moffaet (7) 7 1-1 Coppermit Lad, 7-1 Swingles 1-4 6-1 Coppermit Lad, 7-1 Swinging Lady, 8-1 Strip Certoon, 10-1 Domians, 12-1 Liffey River, Harry's Coming, 14-1 others.

MANDARIN 1.45 Scarlatine. 2.15 Onthorhombus. 2.45 Santaray. 3.15 Blushing Belle. 3.45 Petitesse. 4.15 Wings Of Freedom. 4.45 Lady Lacey.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT DRAW: 5F-6F, LOW NUMBERS BEST

THUNDERER

1.45 LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (3-Y-O: £1,380: 1m) (22 runners) TOUCH OF WHITE drifted left when beaten 4th 4th to by Stack Rock (gave 8tb) with MIAMI BANKER (gave 8tb) with MIAMI BANKER (gave 7tb) 7th beaten over 5t at Newtony (5t 34yd, good to sort). 17(b) 25 at Lingfield (5t, sort), GONDO on penulti-mate 4th beaten 4th bea

J Boush # (7) 14

6 14- WAVEBAND 280 (C,G) B Hills 8-13 G Duffield 3

Ian Balding's Rokeby finished third in the £159,574 Wood Memorial Stakes at Aqueduct, New York. on Saturday. The Lomond colt, who was watched by his owner, Paul Mellon, was beaten three lengths by the winner, Devil His Due. A challenge for the Kentucky Derby has not been ruled out.

3.10 THREE BEARS PICNIC CLAIMING STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,284, 1m 54yd) (8) 1 144- BLOCKADE 174 (D.F.S) M Box 9-0. M H 2 3422 SR.VER SAMURAI 21 (D.BF) R Hollmined 8-13

A Culture S

MR POPPLETON D Arbuthnot 8-11

B Raymond

Chine S

GUNSAKER 14 R Holder 8-5

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A Murro S

20-4 PLAN AMEAD 10 G Levis 7-12

D Harrison 7-7

8-05 GUISEN OF PENDONA 28 D Maltists 7-13 Derran Moffett (7) 6

2-1 Blockade, 3-1 Plan Ahead, 7-2 Muminating, 5-1 Silver Samurar, 12-1 Lyn's Return, 16-1 Mr Poppleson, 20-1 others

3.45 EASTER BUNNY HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,637: 1m 1/ 213yd) (17)

(3-Y-O: \$2,637: 1m 1f 213yd) (17)

1 040 PRINCE MERCURY 163 J Dunkop 97. T Williams 12
2 522 STAPLETON 213 ; Wasts 98 J J Lowe 4
3 302 GLIBE PATH 187 J Halb 95 M Hals 13
4 035 GARPAHOOSH 210 H Colinopodge 93 V Smith 3
5 2144 FERDIA 24 R Hobrashead 9-3 A Culhans 5
6 69-3 MISS NYDE 21 (N J Glove 9-0 A Munro 7
7 8-00 TAMTIAN 23 Mm J Rantadia 8-12 M Tebburt 2
6 03-1 FUTURES GIFT 12 (S) A Potta 6-12 A Proud 10
9 300 THEWARI 190 A Socii 8-12 B Raymond 14
10 65-0 SPORTES VIEW 9 R Heider 6-11 N Adams 16
11 9-05 MISS KONGFISHER 25 Norton 8-10 O Pears (7) 11
12 00-4 HOLY WANDERER 14 D Arbuthrast 8-5. B Process 15
13 050 POSITIVE ASPECT 137 J Pearce 8-4 C Hawkestey (7) 17
14 00-6 BELLA RUN 25 R Hodge 6-2 T Sprato (5) 9
15 0-00 DARE TO DIRAM 18 G Lowe 8-1 D Hamson (7) 1
16 05-4 ROG-SR RABBIT 11 R BOZA 7-3 S Sanders (7) 8
5-1 Futures Gitt, 11-2 Miss Hyde, 6-1 Ferdia, 8-1 Holy Wanderer Stapleton, 10-1 Prince Mercury, Gride Path, 12-1 others

4.15 LITTLE JOHN STAKES

(3-Y-O: £3,289. 1m 54yd) (4) 1 440- KILLY 190 (F) F Lee 9-5 ... M Hills 3 2 5-61 SKY HUNTER 25 (D,0) R Hannes 9-3 B Raymond 4 3 130- PENKY ORCHID 240 (G) W Pearse 8-13 L Charnock 2 4 000- SASPARELLA 198 (C,F) W Jervis 8-13 A Mutro 1 48 Sky Hunter, 7-2 Panny Orchid, 5-1 Killy, 8-1 Seeparella

4.45 EASTER BONNET GRADUATION STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,577: 1m 1f 2f 3yd) (3)

1 14- PROFUSION 244 (G) P Cole 9-4 ... A Munro 1 2 225- TIK FA 205 (G) B Henbury 9-4 ... B Raymond 3 3 0- Marit 178 D Mortey 8-6 ... M Tebbutt 2 1-2 Tel. Fa, 7-4 Profusion, 12-1 Map.

5.15 SHERWOOD HANDICAP

(£2,657: 1m 6f 15yd) (16) 1 030- MERTON MILL 184 (CD.F.O) D Morley 5-9-10 2 00-6 PAPER DANCE 32 (G) R Holder 49-7 N Adams 15 3 530- NIKITAS 55J (D.F.G) Mise A Whiteled 7-9-1 M HBs 5 4 3103 CARLINGFORD 9 (BF.F) M Nauchton 690 L Chemos 5 42/ RITREPID LASS 360J H Candy 58-13 J Lowe 10 0-52 LOCKINGFORARAINBOW 7 (F) Bsb Jones 48-11 6 0-52 LOCKIMIGPORAFAINBOW 7 (F) Bob Jones 4-8-1 V Smith 4
7 8-00 BUCCIMIGNAM BAND 11 F Lee 4-88... M Tebbus 3
8 0000 PONDERED BID 7 (BLCUC,S) Park Alicing 8-9-2 R Turms 2
9 -140 BRORA ROSE 25 (D) J Berhell 4-9-1 Kass Dovey (7) 15
10 0-11 SMLARS STALKER 11 (B) Mrs J Fleetiche 4-9-1
11 -582 KOWALEVSKA 15J (F.G.S.) D Wisson 7-7-12 T Wissons 12
2 (AU SHARES STAR 15J M Brandwed 4-7-10 T Herrison (7) 14
13 000 SURVEZ MOI 423J (C.D.F) C Alens 8-7-10 C Hawksley (7) 13
14 055 LADY BLESTING 445J (S) R Hodges 6-7-10 T Sprists (S) B
15 000- ONE FOR THE CHEFT 26 (V) R Wissons 4-7-0
16 000 ONE FOR THE CHEFT 26 (V) R Wissons 4-7-0
16 2 Statists, 9-2 Lockindrographov 6-1 Konselevska, 8-1 Car

94 Sillers Stallier, 92 Lookingforarainbow, 6-1 Kovalevska, 8-1 Cer Ingford, 10-1 Brorn Rose, 12-1 Paper Dence, Minies, 14-1 others

1.45 Scariatine. 2.15 Hazm. 2.45 Katy's Lad. 2.15 Blushing Belle. 3.45 DARUSSALAM (nap). 4.15 Moving Out. 4.45 Lady Lacey.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 1.45 Scarlatine.

5-2 Scartatine, 5-1 Spectacular Dawn, 6-1 Valley Ol Fire, 8-1 Twilight Secret, 10-1 Encore Une Fois, Sea Dune, 12-1 others.

2.15 PERSONAL NETWORKING GRADU-ATION STAKES (3-Y-O; £3,003: 6f) (6)

9-4 Hazm, 11-4 Pure Formality, 7-2 Orthorhombus, 5-1 Three-pence, 6-1 Allthruthonight, 8-1 Waveband.

2.45 JOHN D TUPPER HANDICAP (£3,248: 1m 2i 169yd) (17)

1 01-6 SAINT CIEL 14 (F.S) F Jostan 4-9-10.... W Newmos 5 2 40-1 KATY'S LAD 13 (C.F.G.S) B McMehon 5-9-7 3 401- WOODURATHER 13J (6.5) M Pipe 695... R Hills 12 4 14-0 CAPITAL BOND 31 (F.8) R Holder 494 S Drowne (7) 15 6 6-00 MYSTERIOUS MAID 18 (F,S) J Pearce 59-4 6 80-4 CAMDEN'S RANSOM 7 (7) D Eleverth 5-52 7 888- SUPER MORNING 115 (COUP,S) G Bailding 6-92
Paul Eddery 8

Pāul Eddery v 8 -632 LOUDEST WHISPER 12,J K Bridgweter 49-1 A Tucker (5) 11 9 03-0 FULL OUIVER 17 (V,F) Mrs B Waring 7-8-12

13 620- THIR HED LINE 300 (1007 PM)

14 386- WALKING SAINT 177 (6) Greene Roe 5-8-2 D Globs (7) 14

15 -080 NORTHERN VISION 33 (B.G.S) P Blockley 5-8-2 J Dennis (7) 17

16 03-9 RAPID LAD 7 (F.G.S) J Spensing 14-7-17 R Fine 4

17 600- QUEENS TOUR 63J (G.S) M British 7-7-7

G Bardwin 6

7-2 Kaly's Lad, 5-1 Sentaray, 6-1 Woodurather, 8-1 Saint Ciel, Super Morning, 10-1 Capital Bond, Marga Girl, 12-1 others.

Rokeby finishes third

3.15 HIGH TENSILE BOLTS SELLING STAKES (£1,828: 1m 2f 169yd) (20) 1 000- GM AND ORANGE 153 (S) J Jenkins 6-8-11

2 3402 HAND PAINTED 23 (DBP) C Beens 8-81 (5 FOSSY (7) 2 20 LUCKY BARNES 19 (8,F) P Blockley 58-11 . N Howe 15 4 324 PAPER CRAFT 4 (8,5) M Johnston 55-11 . Paul Edday 9 5 3345 PAMS CLASSE 25 W Hagges 4-8-11 . R Hills 5 6 0324 ROYAL ACCLAIM 13 (V,F.S.) J Bradley 7-8-11

7 #4-0 RUSHELIAN 28 (CD.F.6) R Hodges 86-11 ... A Dicks 18 8 30/ SHOEHORN 5J P) M Pipe 56-11 ... A McGione 1 9 HO-STRADEROKE 191J M James 56-11 ... A Mackay 14 10 -004 TEPPERARY AZIR SJ (V) M Tomplens 48-11 11 40-0 BLAZING PEARL 13 (7) J Harrs. 486. J Farming (3) 19 12 20-0 BLUSHING BELLE 10 (BS.) P Cole 486. J Calen 13 13 550- HIGHLAND RUBY 202 P Boddey 486. G Bardwell 10 14 3312 IGRBY OFFORTUMITY 55 (87-Jb) J Passez 486

I-1 Blushing Belle, 5-1 Mes Cooke, 11-2 Kirby Opponunky, 6-1 Hand Pantad, 8-1 Paper Craft, 10-1 Royal Acciann, 12-1 others

3.45 p j rowan handicap (£2,250: 5f) (20)

1 -060 BREEZY DAY 31 (D.G.S) B McMahon 6-9-10 T Quinn 3 2 -450 SLIP-A-SNIP 7 (D.F.S) G Baiding 5-9-5 Tracey Pursagione (7) 2 2 -450 St.IP-A-SNIP 7 (D,F,6) G Baiding 5-9-6
Tracety Purnagiove (7) 2
3 00-0 UNWELLED 23 (C.D.F.G) R Hodges 4-9-5 A Dicks 1
4 641- SOER GUEST 187 (D.F.G) J Berry 3-9-4 G Carter 9
5 000- BANBURY FLYER 187 (D.F.G) J Berry 3-9-4 R His 20
6 164- DARUSSALAM 163 (D.F.G.S) R Lee 5-9-1 Paut Eddery 13
7 04-6 RON KING 14 (DD,F.G) 3-50 paining 6-9-1 R His 20
8 -000 GOODY FOUR SHOES 41 (D.F.D R Tinder 4-9-1 R Price 6:1 7
9 -060. HITCHM A REDE 44 (D.G.) M Muggestos 5-R I J Williams 5
10 000- GREY CHARMER 185 (F) C James 3-8-7 8 Williams 11
25- PETITESSE 256 (DD.F.G) G Blum 4-9-6 R R Price (5) 18
12 252- RAYS MEAD 202 L Hott 4-8-2 C Avery (7) 12
14 005- MADAM PETOSKI 203 F Lee 3-8-1 G Duffield 8
15 042- CROMER'S EDPRESS 164 (V) Mear L Saddas 3-7 12
16 0500 HIRNARY WIDEO 9 (D.G.S) M Johnston 7-7-11 M Bard (7) 19
17 0-20 HOTFOOT HANNAH 9 P Felgate 4-7-11 J Faming (3) 11
18 0400 FACTUBLLE 14 (D.F.G.S) D R Tucker 5-7-10
19 0-001 MISS BELL SINGER 58 (F) C MI 4-7-10

20 -ODE MISS BELL RINGER 59 (F) C Hill 47-10 9-2 Sobe Guest, 5-1 Iron King, 6-1 Derusselem, 6-1 Pohleose, Sip-A-Smp, 10-1 Banbury Flyar, Rays Mead, 12-1 others

4.15 PEARL RUN HANDICAP (£3.552: 1m 6f 194vd) (12)

(53,552: 1m 6f 194yd) (12)

1 500- CRUISE PARTY 7J (F) Mrs D Hame 4-9-10 R Hills 8

2 11-5 MOVING OUT 10 (5) M Prescott 4-9-7 G Duffield 1

3 130- JANISSI 216 (V,F,S) Mrs B Warng 9-8-6 N Howe 11

4 01/ CARDINAL BIRD 25J (F) 5 Medr 57-41 Oens Meilor 10

5 466- WESTERN DANCER 52J (F,D,S) C Hospen 11-7-10 en Meilor 10

6 6-P5 FEN PRINCESS 9 P Hastern 4-7-9 J Farring (3) 7

7 0-0 PODRIDA 7 (F,G) R O'Sulfivari 5-7-8 G Bardweif 9

8 44-0 WINSS OF FREEDOM 44 (G) Jachima 4-7-8 R Proc (5) 3

9 40/ HAWWAR 55J Mrs A King 5-7-7 T WINSON (7) (2)

10 5404 DONT CRY 23 Bethel 4-7-7 B Dovic 6

10 500 SONIC SIGNAL 10 (F,G) M Haynes 57-7 R Free 7

12 205- LADY WESTGATE 2-86 (F,G) G Baiding 6-7-7 R Siver 4 2-1 Moving Out, 5-1 Cruise Party, 11-2 January, 6-1 Western Dancer, 8-1 Ways Of Freedom, 10-1 Hewwer, 12-1 others

4.45 BBC CWR HANDICAP

1 100- TARA'S GIRL 164 (F.G) P Blockley 59-13 N Howe 19 2 0000 ARMAJIT 17 (F.G) D R Tucker 49-13 C Hodgson (St 1 3 000- BRITHDAYS CHULD 173 Farnisuse 49-8 G Duffield 9 4 000- KELLYS KINGDOM 12J (F) R Bermett 49-5 5 0-34 RISING TEMPO 30 (D) C Cyzer 484 T McLaughin (7) 12 6 0000 FOCUSH TOUCH 17 (D,F,D,S) W Museus 10 9-1

6 0000 PCOLISH TOUCH 17 (D.F.Q.S.) We Macton 10-91
7 1222 EL VOLADOR 7 (D.F) R O'Sulhen 5-90
8 60-5 SALEYNG 77 (D.Q.S.) J Mac 4-90
9 2-40 SIR ARTHUR HOBES 24 (D.F.G) F Lee 5-8-13
N Kennedy (5) 7
10 60-0 CHEW IT OWER 7 C Smith 4-8-12
11 30-0 LAMASTRE 7 (F) R Hodges 3-8-11
12 003- DOLLAR WINE 167 (F) R Hornon 3-8-10 S Raymont 18
13 268- RADIO CARNOLINE 38J (3) M Tale 4-8-11 A Tucker (5) 10
14 41-0 MISHY BOFF 41 (S) C Hu 4-8-9 — A Mactony 23
15 07-0 LADY LACEY 17 (VD.F.S) G Backing 5-87 J Williams 6
16 -003 TYRIAM PURPLE 62 (D) R Hobbstead 4-8-6
17 4006 GOLDEN ANCONA 19 (3.5) M Beltras 9-8-6 T Dunin 4
18 -023 DAWN'S DELIGHT 10 (S.S) N Novy 14-8-5 G Bactherd 3
19 05-0 MYSTIC PANTHER 13 (B) R Hober 4-8-4
20 0-60 DOMMART SEPENADE 18 P Harm 3-8-3
S Wintworth 17
21 000- NOW BOARDING 255 R Hodges 5-8-1 S Crossley 16
22 GANESHAYA 238 (G) M Bertachugh 3-8-1 A Crossley 16
23 00-0 PAINT THE LILY 18 (D.F.P.) J Brackley 5-80
M Brackley (7) 15
24 00-0 PAINT THE LILY 18 (D.F.P.) J Brackley 5-80
3 07 COLSAN BOY 641 (F) C Cos 5-7-33 . J Panning (3) 14
5-1 Sallbyng, 11-2 EJ Voladov, 6-1 Rising Tempo. 8-1 Others

Paris House blazes trail

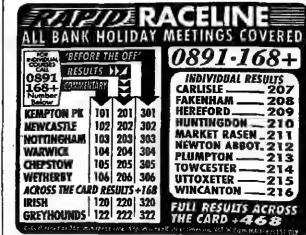
PARIS House looks set for top sprinting honours after making an impressive winning reappearance in the Beamish Irish Stout Field Marshal Stakes at Haydock on Saturday.

Jack Berry's flying grey, carrying a 12lb penalty for his Flying Childers triumph last summer, flew out of the stalls and was never headed as he beat Stack Rock a length. Paris House now heads for the Palace House Stakes at Newmarket.

Filties Per cent

13 22 10 6 7 Only qualifiers

15.9 15.6 10.2 9.8



FORM FOCUS AMIGO MENOR 12th of 13 to Osario (rec 4th) at Goodwood (7! Group III, good); earlier best Lossi (rec 3th) 11/21 at Royal Ascot (8!, good). SNAADEE 4th besten 5! by Fylde Ryer (rec 15th) at Newberty (7! 64yd, Group 8! Henris Hill situs, good); earlier 4th besten 11/41 by Mistarican (rec 5th) at Newberty (7! 64yd, Group 8! Henris Hill situs, good); earlier 4th besten 11/41 by Mistarican (rec 5th) at York (8th, MISS NOSEY PARKER best Regal Crimes (gave 18th) a nk at Ayr (5th). COURSE SPECIALISTS JOCKEYS TRAINERS D Holland W Carson R Codwins W Plyan M Roberts Only qualified 1. 1. W. W. THUNDERER MANDARIN 2.20 Who's That Lady. 2.50 Noel. 3.20 Make It Happen. 3.55 Ashdren. 4.30 Houlston's Will. 5.00 Cheeky Pot. 2.20 Who's That Lady. 2.50 Noel. 3.20 Make It Happen. 3.55 Domicksky. 4.30 Dune River. 5.00 El Nido. The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.50 TURTLE BEACH. \$IS DRAW: 5F-7F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST GOING: SOFT 2.20 NORTHERN HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £3,557: 7f) (5 runners) 1 (2) 06250-0 SHE'S SPECIAL 2 (V.S) (P Capiar) Miss L Perant 9-7 2 (5) 513-133 JEFFERSON DAVIS 10 (D.S) (Confederacy) W Pearce 8-2 3 (3) 03004-5 CREPT OUT 30 (W Barker) Miss 8 Hall 8-12. 4 (1) 0230-05 STOPROVERITATE 11 (V) (J Clark) S Norion 8-2 5 (4) 63-03 WHO'S THAT LADY 6 (J GM) M H Easterby 7-13. __ N Connorten 90 ____ K Darley 6 99 5 (4) 93-03 VITTO 3 FINAL END OF THE Lady, 41 Crept Out, 5-1 Steprovaritate, 11-2 She's Speciel. BETTING: 9-4 Jetterson Davis, 5-2 Who's Their Lady, 4-1 Crept Out, 5-1 Steprovaritate, 11-2 She's Speciel. 1991: SAGEBRUSH ROLLER 9-4 D McKeown (13-6 tav) J Watta 7 ran 2.50 KILLINGWORTH MEDIAN AUCTION MAIDEN GUARANTEED SWEEPSTAKES (3-Y-0 £2,072: 7f) (9 runners) A Stroubs 82 X Fallon 95 J Cerroll — K Darley — N Oey 91 KIM Tinider 84 T Lucat 93 J Fortune • 99

3.20 EBF BLANCHLAND MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: 92,782: 5f) (8 runners)

e (3) WHITLEY GORSE (NYS & Lewrenger) a Castragers 3-0 TLICES

ETTING: 11-4 Public Way: 4-1 Make It Happen, 9-2 Rober, 6-1 Duke Of Dreams, 9-1 My Godeon, 10-1 others.

1991: THREEPENGE 9-0 J Murray (6-5 (I-lev) J Berry 4 ren

3.40 RENOAK EVENT CATERERS HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,425: 2m 5f 110yd) (11)

7 9013 LOBRIC 31 (8.F.G) J Jenkins 7-11-1 Annual Artent 8 -21P KANNBANIYA 67 (8.F.G) W Holden 5-10-12 W Irvene 8 2122 ABERFOYLE 31F (5) Miss G Kellewey 4-10-3

10 CESE LYPH 11 (B.F.G) P Hedger 6-16-0 P Hughes (7)
11 0404 DRUSO 2 (V) R Marvin 8-18-0 P Hughes (7)
11-4 Kannbaniya, 7-2 Elegant Stranger, 9-2 Abertoyle 6-1 Singlesele, 7-1 Labric, 8-1 Lyph, 10-1 March Above 12-1 others

1 P282 KNOCKUMSHIN 12 (F.S) S Swith 9-12-0 S R Andrews (S)

2 BESHTHORN 1399F J Ibbott 7-11-6...
3 F2- BURROMARINER 329 (B) J Turner 6-11-6 P Harding-Jones (S)
4 214 DEEP SPARTACUS 84 (S) W A Stephenson 6-11-6 COJAM RUNNER Mas 3 Basey 10-11-6...
6 -PRP INDIAN MASSTRO 6 Mrs A Swinburk 6-11-8 C Wilson (7)
7 -31F PORTER'S SONG 9 (9) H Hutsby 11-11-6... Luy (7)
8 -PRP SAP-ERTON 49 F Harvey 9-11-6... A Harvey (7)
9 2-4P WISE GAMEDIL 49 (CD,F.G) S Steam 13-11-6

LEST HARVES OUTSTILLER Venner 9-11-3.

S Stamm (7)
10 U/F FABULOUS QUEEN 13 P Vermas 9-11-3 R Downing (7)
11 B- WILD AT HEART 384 S Mulina 5-11-3 E Bailey (7)
9-4 Knockumehin, 5-2 Deep Sparkscus, 3-1 Porter's Song, 4-1
Wise Gembol, 10-1 Fabulous Queen, 14-1 athers.

4.50 BETTY CASSELL MEMORIAL HANDICAP CHASE (£2,788: 2m 5/ 110yd) (9)

4 -UPP TUMBLE JACK 114 (8) 8 Bylord 10-10-7

1 8354 FIGHTING JESSICA 35 (G) J Upon 7-11-10..... 2 4121 EBONY SWELL 38 (CD.G.5) 5 Campion 11 11-8

3 3458 PUKKA MAJOR 33 (CD.F.G.S) T Thomson Jones

4 -UPP TUMBLE JACK 114 (5) 8 Sylord 10-10-7 A Wingate (7) 5 4236 Bill. AND COUP 51 (F.G) K Morgan 7-10-5 F Verling 6 PPPP SOLENT LAD 8 (B.F.A.S) 8 Stevens 9-10-4 M Servens (7)

3-1 Ebony Sweii, 7-2 Pukka Major, 4-1 Fighting Jessica, 6-1 Bill And Coap, 7-1 Tamatour, 8-1 Prince Carlton, 10-1 others.

1 4218 PUN FOR NICK 30 (DLF) Mrs D Heine 4-12-0
1 14218 PUN FOR NICK 30 (DLF) Mrs D Heine 4-12-0
1 14218 PUN FOR NICK 30 (DLF) Mrs D Heine 4-12-0
2 331 FISSH EMERALD AF (DLF) P Hedger 4-11-1
3 Smith Excles

4 4864 SHAMSHOM AL ARAB 13F (D,F) W Carter 4-10-13

5.25 ST JOHN AMBULANCE NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,720: 2m 80yd) (6)

4.15 ROBERT HOARE MEMORIAL HUNTER CHASE (Amsteurs: £1,855 2m) (11)

Bailey's star parades only for the Whitbread

By RICHARD EVANS, RACING CORRESPONDENT

DOCKLANDS Express, winner of the Whithread Gold year, especially as the two-Cup last season, will appear for the jump season's final showpiece at Sandown on Saturday — but not to try and win the race for the second

Kim Bailey's tough chaser will join Desert Orchid in a pre-race parade for past winners and then be on the sidelines as the runners set off for the marathon chase at the Esher course.

"Basically, he has had a hard season and I feel he has done enough. I worked him yesterday and he was a little bit flat. He has had some hard races and owes us nothing. To run disappointingly would do the horse no good at all," Bailey explained yesterday.

Docklands Express, who won the race last year following the disqualification of Cahervillahow, finished fourth in the Grand National earlier this month, after coming a close third in the Cheltenham Gold Cup.

Bailey will be repre in the race by Mr Frisk, winner in 1990, who will almost certainly be having his last run in a distinguished career. The Thresher Classic Trial,

staged on the same day at Sandown, will provide early pointers towards the Ever Ready Derby. Henry Cecil will work

Aljadeer on Wednesday be-fore deciding if his well-re-garded Whatcombe Stakes winner takes his place. The nine times champion trainer has begun the new season in terrific style with 13 winners from just 27 runners, and he indicated yesterday the best is still to come.

They are running well despite not being fully tuned up. My string is not that forward. A lot of the three-year-olds need the race. With luck, we

should have a reasonable year-olds look encouraging,"

Rudimentary, runaway winner of the Newbury Spring Cup, steps up in class for the Forte Mile on Friday. while Cecil will be represented in the Gordon Richards Stakes by Perpendicular.

Other likely runners in the Thresher Classic Trail include Pollen Count, trained by John Gosden, and Jape, from Paul Cole's yard.
Notable absentees are

Colourfic, whose trainer Barry Hills enjoyed his hundredth pattern success since 1971 at Newmarket last week, and Shuailaan, the apple of Alec Stewart's eye. Both have suffered minor training serbacks. Paul Cole, champion train-

er last year, has endured a slow start to the season, partly due to the prevailing soft ground. "I am having a bit of trouble as my horses never experience bad ground at home. They always work on good ground, and it can carch them out. I am looking forward to it drying out, especially for my two-year-olds. "We might do a bit better



Bishop's Staff to foil double bid

A BONUS of Ir£50,000 awaits Rita Vaughan, the owner of Captain Dibble. if her talented novice can add today's Jameson Irish Grand National at Fairyhouse to his victory in the Scottish Grand National nine days ago.

On that occasion he stayed on very resolutely to win by eight lengths from Dalkey Sound and the Irish handicapper appeared to take a relaxed attitude in giving him just a 7lb penalty here. However, his chances of

collecting this pot of gold have been reduced by the weights rising 18lb, putting him on 11st 11lb.

I prefer to look to the second half of the handicap for the winner and two novices who have been running very well of late are Open The Gate and Vanton, with Michael O'Brien particularly optimistic about the latter's

The principal beneficiary of

the big rise in the weights. however, is Bishop's Staff, who was originally allotted 8st 9lb. He is my each-way

Bishop's Staff fell at the twelfth in the National Hunt Chase at Cheltenham but had previously beaten Zeta's Lad at a difference of a stone in a photo finish to the Eddie Brennan National Trial at Punchestown.

On Saturday, Lester Piggott, paying his first visit of the season to Ireland, pounced late on Portico to catch Brief Truce by a neck in the Leopardstown 2,000 Guineas Trial.

Vincent O'Brien expressed the opinion afterwards that Portico would do better on faster ground but there would not seem to be any justification for sending him to Newmarket and a more obvious classic engagement is the Airlie/Coolmore Irish 2.000

IRISH GRAND NATIONAL C4 BEG1

GOING: YIELDING TO SOFT

3.25 JAMESON IRISH GRAND NATIONAL

Long hendicap: Bishop's Staff 9-13. Treat Me Good 9-10, War Melody 9-8.

9-2 Captain Dibbie, 7-1 Vanton, 6-1 Rewitche, 10-1 Lecton Beau, Open The Gote, 12-1 Ace Of Spills, Boracevil, 16-1 Final Tub, New Mill House, 20-1 Over The Road, 25-1 others. 1991: OMERTA 11-10-9 A Magure (6-1 lav) M Pipe 22 rain

Form guide to the runners

FINAL TUS three rune ogo 2nd beeten 3141 by Garamycin (gave 7tb) with WAITER'S QUAY (rec 18tb) 6th and CLOUGHTANEY (rec 10tb) 9th of 12 et CLOUGHTANEY (nor 10th) 9th of 12 at Leopardstown (an good to yielding) CAPTAIN DIBBLE best Dalkey Sound (gave 7th) 81 enth BORACEVA (gave) 1th) 51h beaten over 181 at Ayr (4m 120yd, Scottash Grand National, good) RAW-HDE on penultimate 2nd beaten 1th by LACKEN BEAU (nor 9th) with WAR MELODY (nor 28th) 5th beaten 3th here (3m 1f, soft). OVER THE ROAD on penultimate 3rd beaten 7th by Deep Colonist (nor 5th) at Worcester (3m, good to soft) EBONY JANE best ROSSI NOVAE (nor 11b) 3th outh CLOUGHTANEY and FORGESTOWN pulled up at Gowran (3m, beaut). GRAND HABIT three runs ago best MEW MILL HOUSE (gave 13b) 8 with RAW-

HIDE (gave 13%) 6th besten 16t and ROSSI NOVAE (rec 9th) 9th of 16 at Govern (5m 3, good). OPENTHE GATE best Ofivers Glen (rec 6th) 13t with GRAND HABIT (gave 4th) 4th besten over 30th 8th Navan (2m 4t, 2oft). VANTON best Mad Tom (gave 5th) 71 at Ness (2m 37 and).

beat Mad Tom (geve Sib) 71 at Nees (2m St soft) soft) SOONER STILL on penultimate 2nd beaten 12 by Comberner (geve 2b) at Werwick (3m 41, good to soft). WRITER'S CHAY 2nd beaten by by Lenigans Wine (pe Sib) with CLONEY GRANGE (gave Sib) 5th beaten over 30 at Leoperdistown (3m, yielding) EISHOP'S STAFF times runs ago beat Zeta's Lad (gave 14bb) nd with ROSSI NOVAE (gave 18b) 9th beaten over 351 and CLONEY GRANGE (gave 23b) 10m of 14 at Punchestown (3m 21, good to yielding). Selection: CAPTANI DIBBUS

Milford Quzy. 2.45 Relief Map. 3.20 Emerald Gem. 3.50 Greysby. 4.25 Balazz. 4.55 Tresidder.

2.15 Milford Quay. 2.45 Amadora. 3.20 Mandika. 3.50 Easy Kin. 4.25 Fox Chapel. 4.55 Tresidder.

GOING: GOOD (GOOD TO SOFT PATCHES)

2.15 ANCOMB AMATEUR RIDERS NOVICES CHASE (£1,843: 2m 17) (8)

1 425° CPICULATION 18 (62) MicCain 6-124. D MicCain (7)
2 /10 MRLFORD DUAY 36 (8F.F.G.S) M Pipe 9-120
3 P433 TIBER MICLODY 13 (63) B Roctimed 9-13-0 W Bethalf (7)
4 PPOP BOLD ANSWER 22 (F) M Chapman 9-11-7 C Benny (7)
5 FPPU R N COMMANDER 36 C South 8-11-7. M Ranger (7)
6 48F. STORMY'S MAD 484 (5) D Todo 10-11-2 R Hale (7)
7 -PUP FESLING ROSEY 34 (G.S) D Todo 10-11-2 R Hale (7)
8 2365 RUPPLES 149 (F) M Chapman 5-11-0 M Chapman (7)
4-6 Million Oury, 11-4 Circulation, 4-1 Tiber Metody, 14-1
Rupples, 20-1 Stormy's Mad, 50-1 Others.

2.45 RASE SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE

1 0022 PINECOME PETER 15 (V,CD,F,S) C Breaton 5-11-10

M Breaton
2 9521 RELES MAP 13 (G,S) J Parkes 5-11-10

N Emith
3 550P SOLITARY REAPER 84 (D,F) C Boover 7-11-5 3 500P SOLITAPT REAPER \$4 (D,F) C Beaver 7-11-6
4 8464 AMADORA 86 (B,C) M Pion 6-10-10.
5 0000 TAP DANKCNG 12 (G) J Alien 6-10-8.
6 1-F6 ILLOGICAL 13 (F) J Whaton 5-10-2.
8 Dalton (7)
7 0100 HARU TO BET 9 (B,G) M Bernschugh 5-10-9.
8 03U5 LADY KATE 105 M Chapman 5-10-0.
7 Marriery 9 P-UD YOUNG BERLAMEN 107 (V) T Kersey 7-10-0
9 P-UD YOUNG BERLAMEN 107 (V) T Kersey 7-10-0
10 U60 BARUD 184 C Smith 4-10-0.
16 M Hanger 5-2 Pinecone Peter, 11-4 Amadora, 7-2 Relief Map, 6-1 Mogical, 12-1 Solitary Resper, Hard To Get, 16-1 others.

 The Duchess of Westminster celebrated her 77th birthday in style at Towcester on Saturday when Cherrykino romped home by 30 lengths in the Pomfret Novices' Chase. ☐ David Barons and Nigel Hawke enjoyed a 13-1 double at Newton Abbot on Saturday with Rocktor in the Plymouth Sound Radio-Handicap Chase and Trewithien in the Elmhurst Handicap Hurdle.

2.15 Master Of Troy. 2.45 Merry Master, 3.15 Mr Optimistic. 3.50 Highrymer. 4.20 Mils Mij. 4.50

2.15 Master Of Troy. 2.45 Watertight 3.15 Mr Optimistic. 3.50 Alaskan Goodwill 4.20 Grey Merlin. 4.50 Snowfire Chap. then, but I am a bit short of Brian Beel: 3.50 The Motcombe Oak.

GOING: GODD TO SOFT

2.15 BORDER COUNTIES HUNT CHALLENGE CUP MAIDEN HURDLE (Amateurs: £1,019: 2m 1f 110yd) (16 runners)

B 60-0 FORCHLAND RIVER 30 T Cumbert \$11.2 SH Johnston (7)
9 PO KEBONY 14 F Jestin 5-11-9 SH Johnston (7)
10 /6-0 MIGO'S GRD. 14 G Dun 7-11-9 H Finnegan (7)
11 900 MILTON LASS 59 R Goldes 6-11-9 Dr S Love (7)
12 P60- MOONLIGHT RUN 350 S Payne 6-11-9 T S Love (7)
13 03-5 RED SAILS 47 Mas to Benson 6-11-9 J Bradburne (3)
14 03-0 SEPJAM WOOD 72 S Chadwad 6-11-9 Miss J Thurlove (7)
15 00 BEACHOLME 80Y 47 J Gellen 4-11-7 A Parker (7)
16 2533 MASTER OF TROY 37 C Parker 4-11-7 A Parker (7)
16-8 Master Of Troy, 4-1 Loving Omen, 9-2 Hightend River, 6-1 Red Salls, 10-1 Steplam Wood, 12-1 Boveto, Deep Creek, 14-1 others.

2.45 STUDHOLME DICKSON (WHITE-HAVEN) NOVICES CHASE (£1,396: 3m) (8)

1 1314 MERRY MASTER 9 (CD.F.G.S) R Amytage 8-11-12 Ges Amytage 2 PF1P BUCKLE IT UP 14 (B.D.S) A Mackaggert 7-11-7 Mr D Mectaggert 7 PPPF THE RANNOCH 39 (NE,S) S Loadbatter 9-11-0

6 6322 WATERTIGHT 30 (BF,Q) Mrs G Reveloy 7-11-0 R Hodge (5) 5-4 Merry Master, 6-1 Waterleght, 6-1 Lontano, 8-1 General Her-mony, 10-1 Regal Estato, 12-1 Buckle It Up., 18-1 officers.

3.15 STUDHOLME DICKSON (WHITE-HAVEN) MOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,106; 2m 4f) (6) 1 \$422 MR OPTIMISTIC 30 (8F,0) J.J. O'Neil 5-12-6

2 121P URION V 72 (CD,F,S) M Hammond 8-11-7. Mr S Lycos (7) 3 842P POLLITTS PRIOE 109 G Moore 6-10-4. M Berniey (7) 4 5424 JULIETSG 11F (8) M Hammond 4-10-0. D Sensiey (7) 5 0URS LPRRY BASY 30 M Avenon 5-10-0. L Multerry (7) 6 -OPP BUSY BOY 48 R Lemb 5-10-0 Miles S Lemb (7) 2-1 Mr Optimistic, 11-4 Uron V, 7-2 Julietski, 8-1 Politic Pride, 12-1 Furry Baby, 33-1 Busy Boy

3.20 NARBOL HANDICAP HURDLE

3.50 WEST LINDSEY EASTER CUP (Novices handicap chase; £2,022: 3m) (6)

Novices handicap chase; Ec., Color 1971-10 1 2180 GREYSIY 23 (V,C,C,S) O Brennen 1911-10 M Promuse 2 CRS TREAL RUSH 25 (D) D MCCan T-116 , M-2 MCCan (7) 3 Sect Prescould Meadows on (K,G) J Lab. 7-113 C Decris (9) 4 350- BASY KIN 455 (9.F) M Pipe (9.11-1 G) Decris (9) 5 PPPP JOLLY FELLOW 2.3 Laigh 9-11-0 R Markey 6 0304P CEVA PARK 13 R Emerican 7-11-0 R Gentilly 5-4 Easy Kin, 7-2 Procloss Marrodice, 9-2 Tribal Puter, 6-1 Greyeloy, 20-1 Cove Park, 33-1 July Fellow.

4.25 WITHAM NOVICES HURDLE

1,723; 2m 11, (11) 1 8081 FOX CHAPEL 8 (9) Jamy Filogrand 5-12-2 W Owen (7)

2 4216 BALAAT 39 (F) M Chapman 4-11-8 W Dwan (7)
3 6/P AVARICE 51 T Kareny 6-11-2 Steen Kareny
4 3-40 BOLD STREET BLUES 5 J Allen 5-11-2 P Leach
5 435 BLITE DESIGN 66 C Bereven 5-11-2 M Brunnin
5 435 BLITE DESIGN 66 C Bereven 5-11-2 M Brunnin
7 3-60 SPOON-RL WOOD 13 J WWW. 6-10-11 B Delton (7)
9 290 MASTERS CROWN 13 M Chapman 4-10-10 R Febru (7)
9 0345 UN SOUVERAN 44 M Chapman 4-10-10 R Febru (7)
10 00P ZENISKA 32 D Boxen 4-10-10 Mr A Febru (1)
11 POGERS MECE 2007 B Febru 4-10-6 F Muricip (9)
11-10 Fox Chapel, 6-4 Beleat, 6-1 Spoonhill Wood, 12-1 Un

4.55 EASTER BUNNY HANDICAP CHASE

(22,267: 2m 1() (3)

1 4110 TREBIDDER 41 (CD,F,B,B) M W Easterby 10-13-0
P Midgley (5)
2 FESS RIMGMORE 13 (F,B,B) J Parkes 10-10-13... N Smith
3 9770 MASTER SALESMAN 35 (F,B,B) Perkes 10-10-13... N Smith
4 801 BOSTON ROVER 12 FS) O Bernan 7-10-8... M Barrass
4 802 BOSTON ROVER 12 FS) O Bernan 7-10-8... M Barrass
5 FEST DRY GN 2 (F,F,B) M Corporal 9-10-4.... Flower
8 3103 PALMRISH 13 (F,F,B) C Thomas 8-10-1... J Callaghan
7 389 CLARES OWN 107 F3 J Wade 8-10-0... K Jones.
8 2345 BISHARP 7 (B) J Ligh 6-100... R Markey
8 35- BISHARP 7 (B) J Ligh 6-100... R Markey
9 55- BISHARP 7 (B) J Ligh 6-100... F Markey
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94 Thesidder, 3-1 Boeton Plover, 5-1 Plingware, 6-1 Cry Gin, 7-1 Peter-rusit, 9-1 Master Selection, 16-1 others.

3.50 JOHN MCKIE MAIDEN HUNTER CHASE (Amateurs: £718: 3m 2f) (7)

1 GP/S ALEX-PATH 16 J Townson 9-12-7 J Townson (7 2 M DUNDYVAN 14 S Leadbetter 10-12-7 P Styles (8 3 P OLE OLE 14 Mrs E Mosercy 5-12-7 P Johnson (7 4 S-2 HICHRYMER 14 J Transigni 8-12-2 Miss J Truriow (7 5 LP/6 MEADOW GREEN 14 Mrs M Armstrong 11-12-2 M Macangart (8)

4.20 BBC RADIO CUMERIA HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,276: 2m 1f 110yd) (8)

1 P-51. MaLS MLJ 10 (CD.F.G. S) T Cumbert 7-18-1 Mr W Herst 2 PSIP ASBOT OF PURNESS 30 (S) G Richards 8-11-10 M Machine 3 4000 SR PETER LELY 12 (F.S) M Harmond 5-11-3

8 6PO4 SILENT RING 37 (F.6) N Wiggel 6-IDC Cold Cultibur (f)
Miss T Wingon (f)
5-2 Abbet Of Furness, 7-2 Sir Peter Lety, 5-1 Kushbelos, 8-1 Grey
Merix, 6-1 Justice Let. 10-1 Hervest Stuss, 14-1 others.

4.50 JOHN DIXON HANDICAP CHASE

7,89U; 301) (13)
1 1231 SMOWHEE CHAP 73 (DLF,E,S) Min G Reveloy 9-120
R Hodge (S):
2 SPP- MICHTY MARK 401 (8,S) F Wellon 13-116 Mr P Johnson.
3 -PIP MAJEMATIAN CHASE 32 (D,S) G Richards 9-11-7
Mr J Marphy (7)
4 SEN DURBOUS JANE 38 (D,F,S) R WANDOWS F11-7
C WOODS (7)

Eddery tries out Rainbow Corner

Pat Eddery, Steve Cauthen and Walter Swinburn are in action at Longchamp today (Our French Racing Correspondent writes).
Eddery partners Khaled Abdulla's highlypromising three-year-old Rainbow Corner, a three-length second to Arazi in last October's Grand Criterium, in the £20,555 Prix de Fontainebleau, the main trial for the French 2,000 Guineas. Swinburn is in opposition on the Criquette Head-trained Judge Decision. Cauthen takes the mount on Shalkh Mohammed's winter purchase, Dissimul-ateur, in the £31,038 Prix Noailles, in which

Daniel Wildenstein's top staying juvenile Glaieul makes his reappearance.

MANDARIN 2.30 Counterbid. 3.05 Relekto. 3.40 Hickelson Lad. 4.15 Knights. 4.50 Mountebor. 5.25 Golden

2.30 Counterbid. 3.05 Relekto. 3.40 Hickelton Lad. 4.15 Knights. 4.50 Hello Steve. 5.25 Golden Brian Beel: 3.05 Relekto.

GOING: GOOD

2.30 ROSS-ON-WYE NOVICES HURDLE (£1,235: 2m 3f) (10 runners)

5 (R 11-90 Counterbid, 11-2 Maiden Of Izon, 7-1 Innocent Prin I Corneli Cosecci, 12-1 Cray-Y-Ewgart, 14-1 others.

3.05 JAMES DALY HUNTERS CHASE (Amateurs: £1,716: 2m 3f) (9)

7 00-F SWORD-ASH 65 (S) L Bowlee 10-12-0 Miss H McClaul (7)

Miss H McCanil (7)

8 4 TURKISH SLAVE 17 Maa K Trop 9 120

9 0/ WRLL'S SON 18075 Mm A Piggott 11-120

8-11 Refekto, 6-1 South Pool, 8-1 Cursheen Boy, 18-1 Bee Garden, 12-1 Turkish Slave, 18-1 Walk in Rhythm, 20-1 officers.

3.40 MARLBROOK NOVICES CHASE (£1,876: 2m) (10) 1,676; 2m) (10) 1 6423 HICKELTON LAD 44 (F,G) D Williams 8-11-10 S.J.O'Nell

S Wyne (7)

4 0-P5 EIGHTY EIGHT 30 Mrs H Dowson 7-11-3 ... M Bosley

5 F3 FEATHER YOUR NEST 48 K Belley 7-11-3

5 F3 FEATHER TOUR NEST 46 K Belley 7-11-3

6 -205 GOLDEN PARE 68 R Lee 7-11-3 E Thernby (5)

7 -PPO GREY WHSKERS 12 C Hackings 9-11-6

8 PF/ PECCAN 689 V Beltog 8-11-3

8 PF/ DECCAN 689 V Beltog 8-11-3

8 PF/ DECCAN 689 V Beltog 8-11-3

10 SFPP JOMANA 171 J Bradley 6-10-12 D Tegg 5-2 Hickieton Lad, 3-1 Slippery Max, 5-1 Feather Your Neel, 10-1 Golden Fere, 14-1 Orchipedzo, 16-1 Jomana, 20-1 others.

4.15 HOLIDAY SELLING HURDLE

1 060F KNRGHTS 12 (BF,S) Mrs 8 Obser 6-11-12 2 465P STORM WARRIOR 18 (E.C.S) 8 Presco 7-11-12 3 2100 TENTER CLOSE 46 (V.F.E) J C Shae 6-11-12

9 G CLAUDETTE 55 F Yardey 4-10-3..... 8-4 Krights, 5-2 Tenter Close, 6-1 Rusty Music, 10-1 Post Code, 12-1 Storm Warrior, Seenachanos, 16-1 athers.

Mr T.Jenks (7)

5.25 PETERSTOW NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,235: 2m) (13)

7 OrdS RUTHS PRINCE 11 (D.G) G Proce 7-10-9 J Kinverneght BUPUB ROMANY SPLIT 34 N Twiston-Device 7-10-6 D Tagg 10 -090 SPY'S DELIGHT 33 Mrs A Hewitt 6-10-0 E J C'NAM 11 1680 ENTERTAINMENT PAPEK 86 (P) S Preses 6-10-0 Mrs T-SPER GENERAL SILKY 6 R Brotherton 7-10-0 D POMER'S NOD 87 C Historing 9-10-0 P HOMER'S NOD 87 C Historing 9-10-0 Tagget Corpore 9-2 Control And Corpore 13 -00 P HOMER'S NOD 87 C Historing 9-10-0 Tagget 13 -00 P HOMER'S NOD 87 C Historing 9-10-0 Tagget 13 -00 P HOMER'S NOD 87 C Historing 9-10-0 Tagget 13 -00 P HOMER'S NOD 87 C Historing 9-10-0 Tagget 13 -00 P HOMER'S NOD 87 C Historing 9-10-0 Tagget 13 -00 P HOMER'S NOD 87 C Historing 9-10-0 Tagget 13 -00 P HOMER'S NOD 87 C Historing 9-10-0 Tagget 13 -00 P HOMER'S NOD 87 C Historing 9-10-0 Tagget 13 -00 P HOMER'S NOD 87 C HISTORIAN PAPEK 15 -00 P HI

6 4980 POST CODE 17 D R Tucker S-11-2 R Armolit 7 3650 RUSTY MUSIC 18 R Brown 5-11-2 R Armolit 7 3650 RUSTY MUSIC 18 R Brown 5-10-11 Mr M Rimoli (7) Mr M Rimoli (7) Mr M Rimoli (7) Mr M Rimoli (7)

4.50 NEWTON WILLIAMS HANDICAP

3-1 Mountebor, 9-2 Sam Shorrock, 5-1 Mas Fern, 6-1 Helio Steve, Silvera Spy, 14-1 Pithy, 18-7 Campaty Road, 20-1 others.

| URDLE (£1,235: 2m) (13)
| 1 2PPO BAIOTARAN 28 (D,P) Mrs A King 5-11-10... M Bosiny
| 2 1826 GOOD FOR A LOAN 77 (D,F) R Los 5-11-10... M Bosiny
| 3 1014 GOLDEN GUNNER 4 (D,F,S) M McCount 4-11-8
| G McCount 4-11-8
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7-2 Golden Gunner, 9-2 Cream And Green, 5-1 Popper The Pin, 7-1 Comanec, 10-1 Good For A Lean, 12-1 others.

Dilum has been cut from 25-1 to 16-1 for the 2,000 Guineas by Ladbrokes after steady weekend support. Latest prices: 7-2 Alnasr Alwasheek, 4-1 Pursuit Of Love, 5-1 Rodrigo De Triano, 10-1 Cardoun, Tenjan, 12-1 bar.

MANDARIN

2.30 Ilewin. 3.05 Deer Crest. 3.40 Elegant Stranger. 4.15 Knockumshin. 4.50 Ebony Swell. 5.25 Irish

THUNDERER 2.30 Hewin. 3.05 Deer Crest. 3.40 Elegant Stranger. 4.15 Deep Spartacus. 4.50 Pukka Major. 5.25 Tanfirion Bay.

Brian Beel: 3.05 Shedid. 4.15 Wise Gambol.

GOING: GOOD

2.30 RAYNHAM SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,970: 2m 80yd) (7 runners) 1 5023 ALOSAEL 49 (D,G) 8 Stavens 5-11-10

2 0014 SPANISH WHISPER 38 (CD, BF.G. S) J Bostock
5 11-7 J Twomay (7)
8 PSP0 AVEC COELIR 48 (D, G, S) R Marvin 10-11-6 4
221 1LEVIN 38 (CD. CD) J Jankin 5-10-8 M Ahero
8 PSP0 NEXT 800M 51 K Morgan 4-10-0 P Varling
6 AP SIVE ALL 114 B Richmond 6-10-0 R Beggan
7 P40P LITTLE BRIS 28 (E) Mrs A Ratcht 9-10-0 A Carroll

3.05 QUEEN'S CUP HUNTER CHASE

(8) (Amateurs: £1,838: 3m) 2 11-6 SKYSRANGE 95 (CD,F,G) J Turner 11-12-1 P Harding-Jones (S) 3 /P-1 DEER CREET 45 (D,F,S) W Bulwer-Long 12-11-9 W Wales (S)

4 P- MARTINEAU 828 (C.F) D Citydon 13-11-6 Mins PC Inydon (7) 13/ MERAK SENGA 705 (CD.F) M Bloom 10-11-6 M Bloom (7) 8 P-50 SPARTAM RAFT 172 (F) J Whyte 11-11-0 P GROOM (7) P-3 SUPER PURSION 16 (E,D,F,G,S) P King 12-11-0 M Pelion (7)

Niven's hopes dashed

9-4 Skygrange, 3-1 Deer Creet, 4-1 Shedid, 6-1 Rain Mark, 7-1 Super Furrow, 12-1 Marak Senoa, 16-1 others.

Peter Niven, just one short of his first century of winners, was knocked unconcious in a heavy fall on Saturday, and will be out of action for three weeks. The north's leading jockey took his tally to 99 on Cherry Chap in the second race, but his hopes of a century were dashed when Whirling Cone fell in the maiden chare. He was later taken to the Queens Medical Centre, Nottingham, for a precautionary X-ray.

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2.15 Lusty Light. 2.50 Knave Of Clubs. 3.25 Riverside Boy. 4.00 Buckra Mellisuga. 4.35 Bad Trade.

2.15 Lusty Light. 2.50 Knave Of Clubs. 3.25 Riverside Boy. 4.00 Djebel Prince. 4.35 New Halen. 5.10 Papajoto.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT (SOFT PATCHES)

2.15 WOOD MITCHELL MAIDEN HURDLE

4-5 Lusty Light, 3-1 On The Provt. 7-1 Culleross, 10-1 Emerald

2.50 FRIENDS OF THE ANIMAL HEALTH TRUST SELLING HANDICAP HUNDLE (£1,392: 2m 4f) (15)

4 0500 SOLDRERS DUTY 28 (D.G.S) J Maddin 841-7 C Ultransfer

7-2 Kneve Of Clube, 9-2 James My Boy, 6-1 Soldiers Duly, 7-1 Forcello, 8-1 Franciscus, 10-1 Glenderry, 12-1 others.

Richard Evans: 3.25 Riverside Boy.

MANDARIN

THUNDERER

5 0000 FAVOURED VICTOR 58 (S) K Morgan 5-10-3 P Verting 6 P46P AGRO 81 J Bostock 5-10-0 J Twomby (7) 6-4 trieh Emeruid, 8-1 Run Por Mick, 7-2 Tantirion Bey, 7-1 Shamehora Al Arab, 10-1 Favoured Victor, 16-1 Aqiq.

3.25 REAL BRITISH COAL NOVICES CHASE (£1,922: 3m 2f) (8) 1 1352 JOHNNY'S SUPPER 14 (SELF) W A Stephenson 7-11-9 C Grant

4.00 EVERSHED WELLS & HIND NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,721: 2m) (8)

1 2103 DJEBEL PRINCE 11 (D,G) C Egerton 5-11-10

22,057: 2m) (15 rumners)

1 -P00 BUSTOMAN 30 WA Stephenson 6-11-6 ____ C Grant
2 S CALLEROSE SS T Forster 5-11-6 ____ C Uswellyn
3 40-0 COLVM LAD 140 W Brisbourne 5-11-6 ____ T Well
4-53 BUSTALD TENTURE 20 (V) T Calast 5-11-6 R Campbell 8 806 MEZAAJ 7F (E) B Presse 4-10-0 ### Campbell | R Campbell |
Camp 9-4 Buolen, Mellauge, 7-2 Wittoels, 4-1 Whippers Delight, 5-1 Djebel Prince, 10-1 Middlewick, 16-1 others

4.35 FIRBANK KEMPSTER HANDICAP CHASE (£1,934; 2m 4f) (5)

4 912- RECTORY BOY 348 (D.F.S) B Uswellyn 9-11-1 5 2F11 PLASTIC SPACEAGE 2 (D.B.S) J OH 9-11-0 (Box) NON-RUMBER

7-4 Bed Trade, 9-4 New Halen, 3-1 Hope Dismond, 6-1 Rectory

1 3265 JAMES MY BOY 9 (CD,S,S) W City 13-12-0 Diann Beven 2 GFPP L'ACCIONO 13 (V.S) P Berein 7-11-11 T Wall 2 GESP CHAVE OF CLUES IS (G.SF,G) P Booking 5-11-1 C Grant 5.10 METAL FINISHING SUPPLIES LTD

HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,542: 2m) (3) 1 -304 LE TEMÉRAIRE SF (D.F.G.S) N Tinder 6-12-0. M Hau 2 01-8 PAPAJOTO 9 (CD.F.G.S) K Burke 7-11-0... J Raillon 3 6164 SARTORIUS 31 (D.G) T Thermion Jones 6-10-13 C Lieuwellyn

Tony McGione celebrated the remarkable achievement of riding a winner at every Flat course in Britain with his success on Fetish at Newcastle on Saturday. McGlone completed a double for Henry Cecil on Kaisar.

MANDARIN 2.30 Padaventure. 3.00 Perjury. 3.35 Stirling Express. 4.05 Westwell Boy. 4.40 Repeat The Dose. 5.15 New Charges.

THUNDERER 2.30 Pedavenure. 3.00 Perjury. 3.35 Stirling Express. 4.05 Grace Card. 4.40 Mr Boston, 5:15 Arthur's Minstrel.

GOING: GOOD (GOOD TO SOFT IN PLACES)

2.30 HUDDERSFIELD NOVICES CHASE
(£1,925; 2m 4f 100yd) (9)

1 -81F PADAVENTURE 37 (8F,0.5) Mrs @ Revelley 7-11-8
M D
2 214F LADY TOKEN 28 (F) H GH 8-11-4
3 0SSP DE PROFLINDIS 75 (9) P Beaumont 8-11-3
Miller T Gray 4 1-SF MARCH AMEAD S40 (F) W A Stephenson 6-11-3 5 22P/ PEANL MERCHANT 1252 Mrs 3 (MINUS 11-11-5) for 5 School (7)
6 F-PP THE MAN PROMICMAN 108 C Retoline 9-11-3 7 -PFF WILD ATLANTIC 2 (G) Mrs. 5 Smitht 9-11-9.
8 004P YORK IMPERIAL 30 8 Gen 11-11-9. Mr P Gen
9 PUOP LINGHAM MAGIC 39 J Swiere 7-10-12. Mr S Swiere

1-2 Pediaventure, 6-1 Ludy Token, 8-1 March Ahead, 10-1 Wild Atlantic, 12-1 Lingham Magic, 14-1 De Profundia, 76-1 others. 3.00 WHARFEDALE SELLING HANDICAP

FURDLE (£7,674; 278) (5)

1 4441 CAMDEN ROBERT 6 (D,E) N Byordt 7-12-1 (Berg M Dwyer 2 8811 PERJURY 6 (V.OD.F.S.S) D Soly 4-11-8 8600

D Syme
3 50-5 HRGHLY DECORATED 37 J Johnson 7-11-7 A Origney
4 5-PP STOPRISEAL BOY 82 G Moore 6-11-2 L Wyse
5 620P MGHT CLUB 47 (B) J Shoth 6-11-2 P A Farrist
8 70-ARDILES 455 R O'Leary 6-10-4 P Harrisy
7 PP NEPER SMITH 78 (D.S.) J Shelton 9-10-3 D Barry (7)
8 FAPU BARRY OWEN 7 (B) P McEntee 6-10-2 P McEntee (7)
9 2606 COUGAR 41 Mrs \$ Austin 6-10-0 D Williamson 7-4 Persury, 9-4 Cernden Knight, 8-1 Night Club, 8-1 Highly Decorated, 10-1 Stormseel Boy, 12-1 Barry Owen, 14-1 others.

3.35 LEEDS INTERMEDIATE HANDICAP CHASE (£2,688: 2m 50yd) (5)

1 P22P LUMBER MCK 35 (B.C.C.S) Jimmy Fitzgeniid 8-120 2 141F STRLING EXPRESS 115 (D,F,F) J Mankin 7-11-6.
3 /21 RECENT CROSS 10 (D,F,G) W Reed 7-11-8. T Reed
4 FS41 SPREE CROSS 6 (D,G,S) W A Stephenson T Reed
5 0423 SUMPTICUE BOY 32 (BF,F) A J Wilson B-70-8

A Webb 9-4 Regent Cross, 11-4 Stirling Express, 7-2 Space Cross, 9-2 Bumptious Boy, 6-1 Lumberlack.

4.05 ARKENDALE NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (21,716: 3m) (11)

1 95-5 INCONCLUSIVE 60 (6) Min S Brand 5-12-0
Mr S Brandy (7)

2 //11 GRACE CARD 6 (6,5) Mr. G Rovoley 6-11-12 (5ex)
M Daylor

4.40 WETHERBY KANDICAP CHASE (£7,830: 3m 100yd) (10) 1 S113 REPEAT THE DOSE 28 (SF.F.G.S) T Etherington 7-11-10 M Richards

2 5112 MR BOSTON 37 (D.F.G.S) R Woodhouse 7-11-7 S Turner 3 1P13 DEEP COLONIST 9 (D.BF.G.S) T Tate 10-11-5 L Wyer 4 30F2 3DA'S DELIGHT 9 (C.D.F.G.S) J Charlton 13-10-13 E 6084 SHITHE FASHION 10 (D.F.G) R Tale 10-10-8 T FINE FPOS WITHY BANK 6 (C.D.F.G.S) New 3 Smith 10-10-3 7 0225 OVER THE DESL 17 (O.F.Q.S) W.A. Stephenson 6-10-1
K. Johnson

7 0225 OVER THE DEBL 17 (D.P. (0,5) W P. GIBLER SCHMAN 34 (D.S) P Berumont 8-10-0 P A Farrell 9 4580 CLONROCHE DRILLER 50 Mrs S Bramal 7-10-0 Mrs A Farrell 10 EPPP HOW AND THEN 48 (G) Mrs S Boarnal 7-10-0 A Montagen 3-1 Mr. Boston, 7-2 Repeat The Dose, 4-1 Deep Cotonist, 5-1 Over The Deel, 6-1 Ide's Delight, 8-1 Decent Man. 12-1 others.

5.15 WILSTROP NOVICES HURDLE

(Amateurs: £1,646; 2m 4f) (8) INSIGUES: £1,040; ZID 41) (0)

1 5469 ARTHUR'S MINSTREL 12 (F) W A Stephenson 5-11-6
A Thornton (7)

6-4 Shuil Sanr, 2-1 Arthur's Minatel, 5-1 New Charges, 8-1 Night Of Machene, 12-1 The Right Kind, 19-1 Apolic Bloom, 20-1 others. Blinkered first time: KEMPTON PARIC 4 10 Offentskintein, NEWCASTLE: 220 Stoprovertiple, 3.55 Tusky, NOTTINGHAM: 2.10 Forzs Azzuri, 3.45 Mee Hyde, WARWICK: 3.15 Bluehing Belle. Blaydon's step for L

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Irish loophole on firing brings call for enquiry

By RICHARD EVANS

THE Jockey Club was urged eyesterday to set up an independent commission to inves-tigate whether horses are being unfairly over-exploited in the name of sport.

The suggestion from David Wilkins, chief veterinary officer of the Royal Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, follows a highly emotional, but essentially acc-urate, report in a Sunday newspaper detailing how National Hunt trainers are getting round a ban imposed by British vets on firing horses tendon injuries by having the operations carried out in

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The Royal College of Veterimary Surgeons outlawed the practice last September, following detailed research by Professor Ian Silver of Bristol University, which claimed that firing was not only painful for animals but ineffectual.

Ireland has not followed the British example and Josh Gifford and Oliver Sherwood are among several trainers who have sent horses to Ireland for treatment

Most trainers spoke out when it was announced in February 1991, and the Nat--ional Trainers' Federation urged the college to reconsider its decision.

The controversy over firing coincides with concern over the use of whips by jockeys and deaths of horses in falls. Whether the racing industry likes it or not, there is growing anxiety from the non-racing public about the suffering caused to some horses.

Wilkins suggested yesterday that a commission set up by the Jockey Club to look into the various problems would reassure the public by showing that racing's leaders were conscious of the arguments and accusations "some of which are justified, some of which are not."

People who have something to contribute to the debate could make their views known and the commission could publish recommendations, which I hope would be published," Wilkins added.

David Pipe, spokesman for the Jockey Club, said yester-day: "The Jockey Club has no right to interfere with any treatment that a vet may prescribe for a trainer's horses and in Ireland firing is still an

approved veterinary practice.

"If a trainer wishes to have a horse treated abroad by a vet there is no way the Jockey Club can forbid it provided the vet is practising within that country's veterinary procedures."

Nonetheless, the Jockey Club is seen by the poblic as the guardian of British rac-ing. It must not sweep the issue under the carpet in the belief that concerns about firing, the whip and injuries to horses will go away. They WOTI'L

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Blaydon's Time in step for Lauther

POINT-TO-POINT BY BRIAN BEEL

With The Malakarma the Garth and South Berks. switched to the BMW qualifier - which he won - Larry The Lamb started favourite for The Times qualifier at the Vale of Aylesbury point-topoint on Saturday, though there was late support for Major Tinker.

_ However, Blaydon's Time. the outsider of the party, won.
Rory Lauther making all and judging the pace to perfection.

Sancreed.

The Clifton-on-Teme maiden winner, Cool Relation, easily won The Times event at the Ledbury.

TODAY'S MEETINGS: Bress of Cerword, Trainwell, 3 miles south west of
Morpeth (first race 2.00); East Kent,
Aldington, Sm SE of Astriand (2.00);
Eggesford, Bishopsleigh, Sm NE of
Credition (1.30); Essex Farmers & Usian,
Marks 1ey, Sm W of Colchester (2.00);
Four Burrow, Wadebridge, 1m W of town
(2.00); North Cotravold, Spraghill, Sm S of
Broadway (2.00); North Stropethine,
Eyton-on-Severn, Sm SE of Shrawsbury
(1.30). Citd Berks, Lockings, Sm S of
Wantage (2.00); Southdown & Eridge,
Heastmead, 1m E of Lown (2.30); South at Flete, stayed on well to take the Tetcoft qualifier under Stephen Long.

Long odds-on Heron's Rock had little difficulty in winning The Times race at Heastheld, 1 in E of town (2.30); South Notts, Thorpe, 3m SW of Notwick (2.00); South Pembrokeshire, Lydelen, 3m SW of Scarborough (2.00); Tarby, (2.00); Staintondale, Charm Park, 5m SW of Scarborough (2.00); Taybont-or-lisk, 6m SE of Beaco (2.00); Taybont-or-lisk, 6m SE of Beaco (2.00); Taybont ovals, Kingston St May, 3m N of Taumon (2.00); Vins & Craven, Packwood Park, 2m SE of Beaco (2.00).

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

ASHFORD VALLEY (Channg): Hunt: 1. Fifty Bucks (A Hickman, Evens fay); 2. Second Time Round; 3, Mickey Cinders, 5 ran. Club: 1. Political Audige (D Robinson, 13-8 tay); 2, Missa Martish; 3, Tom Tucker, 5 ran. Open, 1. Glensvey (P Hacking, 1-4 fay); 2, Sir Wager; only 2 fin, 2 ran. Ladies: 1, Maritoy Boy (Miss S Belcher, 11-10 fay); 2, Prince Zeus; 3, Startap. 6 ran. Confined. 1, Tridast Lad (P Hacking, 7-4 fay); 2, Prince Zeus; 3, Startap. 6 ran. Open Mdn: 1, Squeeze Play (C Newport, 1-1), 2, Clover Com, 3, Rusbe Ramble, 6

BEDALE & WEST OF YORE (Homby Castle) Confined: 1. Across The Lake Mass & Brotherton, 4-6 fav), 2. John Corbel, 3, Par Kelly 7 ran. Reet. 1, Dem Lheval is Chariten, 10-1); 2, Proud Crozer, 3, Robins Choice 15 ran. Ladder: 1, StraightPlot (Mrs. J. Brown, 8-4); 2, Air Mark, 3, Remember Josh 6 ran. Land Rover Open: 1, Knocklaur (S. Brisby, 1-6 fav); 2, Old Mill Stream; 3, Stormy Monarch 4 ran. Hunth 1, Amable Amy (J.E. Boynton, 1-2 fav), 2, York Valer, 3, Lewesdon View 4 ran. Open Mdn: 1, Oh Mother (R. Tate, 3-1), 2, Hydropic; 3, Go Sally, 17 ran.

Mother (R Tate, 3-1), 2, Hydropic; 3, Go Sally 17 ran
EGLINTON (Bogede). Hunt: 1, Harry Hasterga (USA) (J Carmer, 6-4 fev), 2, Berrhill, 3, Maclennen 5 ran, Moft, 1, Filb Du Parc (Mrs & Thomson, 3-1 di fav); 2, Marraco; 3, Furry Venturie 13 ran (Daring 11 Tertan 1 yrant (K Anderson, 1-7 fav), 2, 9unswart, only 2 fin 2 ran Ladies, 1, Agathst (Mrs C McClymont, 5-4 fav), 2, Briso, 3 Catedonian Lad 6 ran, Rest 1, Noble Cucation (K Anderson, 4-6 fav), 2, Macmurphy, 3, Leara, 6 ran Confined, 1, Thirty Ali (R Sheds, Evane 1av), 2, Tudorfeld Gri, 3, Eye Valley 3 ran ESSEX & SulFFOLK (Higham) Hunt: 1, Mountain Crash (Mas G Chown, 2-7 fav); 2, Cowings Brook, 3, Tennis Major 6 ran Rest: 1, Hypenwish (R Abrey, 5-1); 2, Kanor Miso, 3, Sassy Nephew, 9 ran Milaed Open 7, Desvibo (J Wflyte, 2-1); 2, Famous Run, 3, Sanwack Lad 5 ran Inter 1 Richard Hum (Miss L Rowe, 1-2 lav); 2 Master Freucht, 3, Benbac 6 ran Confined, 1, So late (M Gingel, Everst lav); 2, Fory Games, 3, Man Of Fun, 5 ran Open Mon (Div fit); 1, General Picton (R Downing, 2-1), 2, Che Law; 3, Marerinolica 10 ran GARTH & SOUTH BERKS (Twessel-

Moremonica 10 ran
GARTH & SCUTH BERKS (Twesseldown) Hunt 1, Just Rise (Miss S Nicholls, 1-3 lav), 2, Reg., cally 2 fin, 2 ran.
Twesseldown Claib: 1, Funcher View (S Actain), 9-4 lave), 2, Semson Ball, 3, Okeydoke 4 ran Open 1, Namoos (f McCarthy, 9-4); 2, Way Linder, 3, Elemsi Credit 5 ran Open Midh: 1, Legal Intent (N Sutten, 6-1), 2, Misselle Run, 3, Compo. 11 ran Contined 1, Synonymous (M Portman, 5-4); 2, Prance Hal, only 2 fin 3 ran Times Rest. 1, Heron's Rock (M Portman, 1-3 lavit 2, True Prophet; 3, Gee Up 6 ran.

Portmen, 1 3 favit 2, Trum Prophet: 3, Gee
Up 6 ran
GLAMORGAN (St. Hitary): Hunt: 1, Treblo
Chance (J Llowollyn, 7-3 fav), 2, Delight's
Daugnter; 3 Tom The Light, 7 ran Bast
1, Yeat Somi (P Hamer, 9-2); 2, Calho
Hymn: 3, Burnt Cats 10 ran, Ladies 1,
Travistown (Mes Z Llewellyn, 12-1); 2,
Ledy Llantar; only 2 freshed. 4 ran
Open 1, Fast Freeze (P Hamer, 7-2); 2,
Timber Tool: 3, Devids Tower, 5 ran,
Confined 1, Hilipais Lady (D Stephens,
6-4 fav), 2, Devisiner; 3, Luchgello, 9 ran,
Mgn 1 1, State Double (J Tudor, 5-1), 2,
Sharery Thoughts; only 2 finished 10 ran,
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Sharery Thoughts; only 2 finished 10 ran,
Mgn II 1 Durz, (J Llewellyn, 5-2), 2, No
Goundaries, 3, Gallic Bello, 9 ran,
LEOBURY (Massemore Park): Hunt: 1,
Mount: Gliver (G Barloot-Saunt, 5-2); 2,
First Hanvesi, 3, Expensive Lark, 8 ran
Confined 1, Gradernount (Mes A Date,
1-5 tor.) 2 Widnite, 3, Montys Gunner 8
tan Open 1, Gaddy Owen (Juhan
Pritchard 2-1), 2 Vickaids; 3, Frome Boy,
10 ran Ladies, 1, Stophens Pet (Miss A
Date, 4-5 fav) 2, Jimmy Cone, 3, Tarun 7
Ten Trines Reest 2 Coof Relation (D
Duggan, 2-1 tav), 2, King Seur, 3, Sab-An,
8 ran Open Men 1, Mare Class (J
Grassek, 5-1); 2 tung Of The Clouds, 3,
Cellic Caliph 15 ran
Lub Cow (Britterley) Hunt 1, Disco Den
(R Evans, 1-2 tan) 2, Gene's Rogue; 3,
Fernormid 4 ran, Confaned, 1, Kneghton
Lad (G Godsoll, 6-1), 2, well Delayed, 3,
Time Loop 9 ran, Open 1, Ticarc (M

Wetlings, 1-4 fav); 2, Midnight Run; only 2 fan. 2 ran. Ladder: 1, Let Me Think (Mass C Thomas, 4-5 fav); 2, let Melinty: 3, Priseman. 4 ran. Inter: 1, Space Primos (Mass L Wallace, 2-1); 2, Insterdent; ranly 2 fan. 5 ran. Open Midn: 1: 1, Penetram's Price (A Delton, 4-1 Ji tav); 2, Andy: 3, Certic William. 14 ran. Open Midn: 10v 1); 1, Red Rambo (J Rudge, 14-1); 2, Combe Hay, 3, Midnight Salor, 11 ran. HORTH STAFFORDSHRE (Samdos): Hunt: 1, Star Ol Eak (Mass 6 Sharmatt, 1-2 fav); 2, Mad Mable; only 2 fin. 3 ran. Midn: 1, Yankse Rhythm (S Crark, 8-1); 2, Dreaming Star; 3, Whatagaist. 15 ran. Ladies: 1, Rivernot (Mass H Callow, 3-1); 2, Can Fry, 3, Jopajusch, 8 ran. Open: 1, Bottlan (S Dickin, 4-6 fav); 2, Pajers Prince (M Harmond, 2-1); 2, Hidden Delfar; 3, Ashphatilly, 9 mm. SEAVINGTON (Cotley Ferral): Hunt: 1, Elsaytee (Mrs R Vickey, 1-2 fav); 2, Hidden Delfar; 3, Ashphatilly, 9 mm. SEAVINGTON (Cotley Ferral): Hunt: 1, Elsaytee (Mrs R Vickey, 1-2 fav); 2, White Rose; 3, Leningrad 7 ran. Open Midn: 1, High Dute (S Kritow, 50-1); 2, Country Spider; 3, Lan's Miracle. 6 ran. Mixed Open: 1, Little Duffy (Mass S King, 7-4); 2, Castle O' May; only 2 finished, 4 ran. Confined: 1, Double Silk (R Treloggen, 1-4 fav); 2, Sweetshirt; 8, Eagle Trace, 4 ran. Confined: 1, Back, 1-1 fav); 2, Speed Stick; 3, San Courrer: 10 ran.
SOUTH & WEST WILT'S (Larichill): Hunt: 1, Spring Fun (R Alner, 8-13 fav); 2, Princee Basidns, 6 ran. Rest: 1, Coen Link (R Alner, 8-13 fav); 2, Copper 1, Jarch Pume (Mass I, Marchill): Hunt: 1, Spring Fun (R Alner, 8-13 fav); 2, Copper 1, Johns Pume, 6-13 fav); 2, Copper 1, Johns Pume, 6-13 fav); 2, Copper 1, Johns Pume, 6-13 fav); 2, Copper 2, Commanchero (M Felton, 4-5 fav); 2, Copper 1, Johns Pume, 6-13 fav); 2, Copper 2, Copper 1, Linker 1, Finese 4 ran. TETCOTT (Lemisla): Hunt: 1, Inter (P Schoffield, 1-3 fav); 2, Royal Dawn; 3, Tudor Lariabout, 3, Hewkennow, 7 san. Times Rest: 1, Sancreed (S Lang, 6-4 fav), 2, Mrs. Huntysuder, 3, The Unimate Buck, 10 ran. Inter: 1, Moortroft Boy (Downick, 8-11 fa

Wandshott, 2-1 lay, 2 Teaching, 5, Wandshottg Far 10 ren.

VALE OF AYLESBURY (Kissbie): Hunt:
1, Astroay (J. Perry, 2-1), 2, Lagend King;
3, Just Smokey, 5 ren, Confined: 1, The Malekarme (I. McKle, Ewyss faw); 2, Turnbril; 3, Crash Gardiner, 4 ren, Open:
1, True Bloom (G. Tarry, 4-5 tav); 2, Oleyn Bach; 3, Karntise, 3 ren, Ladles; 1, Springhil Song (Miss K. Serverson, 7-2); 2, Icky's Five; 3, Midstry Two Step. 6 ran.
Times Reat: 1, Bladon's Time (R. Lawther, 16-1); 2, Mayor Triker; 3, Phose's In McKr. 1, Swooping (A. Hill, 7-2); 2, Tagbo De Champfeu; 3, Causeway Cruissy. 10 ran.

VALE OF LUNE (Whittingsod): Hunt: 1.

Cruiser. 19 rain.

VALE OF LUNE (Whitington): Hum: 1, Mennt (R Ford, 1-4 fav); 2, Just Brook, only 2 lln. 5 rain. Confined: 1, Yalladauf (R Ford, 3-1); 2, Manassass; 3, Vale Of Welton. 6 rain Lacides 1, Another Shot (Mass 3' Swindells, 7-4); 2, ArcticRyman; 3, Read Ali About It. 5 rain. Open: 1, Oakley House (W Berlow, It-5 fav); fin alone, 2 rain. Rest. 1, The Artful Rescal (W Berlow, Evens fav); 2, Flesk Bridge; 3, Little Anthem. 6 rain. Mdn: 1, Rampabook Lad (H Finegan, 33-1); 2, Jim's Tep; 3, Captain Pike. 19 rain.

MCOORI AND PYTCHLEY (Dinolay);

WOODLAND PYTCHLEY (Dingley):
Confirmed: 1, Joestone (J Sharp, 4-6 fav);
2. True Tip: 3, Carata Major, 9 nin. Ladies:
1, Arctic Paddy (Mrs. J Saunders, 5-4); 2,
Royal Approval; 3, Spring Rag, 3 ran.
Hunt: 1, Tascale (H Micholson, Evens
tav); 2, Grouse Moor; only 2 finished, 4
ran Open: 1, Good Waters (J Sharp, 4-6
tav); 2, Fifth Attempt: 3, Topistitor, 7 ran.
Open Mdn: 1, Brown Baby (A Tuttion, 5-1);
2, Treatelyn Gold; 3, Forward View, 15 ran.
Rest: 1, Jims Lass (A Pickaring), 1, The
Waltang Mouse (R Inglessant); 3, Willoughby Brook, 12 ran.

MANDARIN

2.00 Herberto. 2.30 Norman Conquerus. 3.00 Bank View. 3.30 Karındabil. 4.00 Strong Gold. 4.30 Am-

THUNDERER

2.00 The Black Monk. 2.30 Norman Conqueror. 3.00 Bank View. 3.30 Tree Poppy. 4.00 Strong Gold. 4.30 Dakyns Boy. GOING: GOOD (GOOD TO SOFT PATCHES)

2.00 CARDIFF MAIDEN CLAIMING HURDLE (£1,800: 2m 4f) (9 runners)

1 0090 .SPACE MARINER 30 (B) T Saley 5-11-4 D Bridgweiser (3)
2 4P- FERMÓY BRIOGE 401 Mrs A King 8-11-2 M Bosley
3 02-8 HERBERTO 9 (B) N Timiler 5-11-2 M G MCCOCH
4 436 OLD DEER PARK 16 D Barons 5-11-2 M Herwise
5 -004 MOHELI 25 R Holder 5-11-1 D Matthews (7)
6 F085 HOSTESS QUICKLY 30 D Carry 5-10-13 W McFarland
7 -28P MOUNTAIN CABIN 139 D Murray Smith 10-10-12
G Bradiev

8 08P8 ALCRT 16 G Yardey 5-109 G STRUMB 9 529 THE BLACK MONK 36 (8,8F) M Pipe 4-10-9 J Long 3-1 Harberto, 7-2 The Black Monk, 9-2 Old Deer Park, 6-1 Hostee Quickly, 8-1 Allort, 10-1 Mohet, 14-1 others.

2.30 WELSH BREWERS NOVICES CHASE 1 31PP NORMAN CONQUEROR 12 (D,F,G,S)

Timomson Jones
T-11-10 0 McDoart

2 686/ TANGLED STRING 751 C Cleary 8-11-4 G Brackey
3 0P/ TINKERS GOLD 888 R Beter 10-11-4... W McFerland
1-5 Norman Conqueror, 7-1 Tangled String, 8-1 Tinkers Gold.

3.00 WELSH CHAMPION HURDLE

1 /15P DON VALENTINO 39 (D.S) Mrs J Pitman 7-11-80

2.30 Chartie's Darling, 3.00 Call Me Early, 3.30 Manhattan Boy, 4.00 Aberoy, 4.30 Mark Kybo, 5.00 Corne On Dancer.

THUNDERER 2.30 Lady Poly. 3.00 Cell Me Early. 3.30 Star Of The Glen. 4.00 Fogar. 4.30 Mark Kybo. 5.00

GOING: GOOD

2.30 EASTER SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£795: 2m 4f) (8 runners)

11-4 Charlies Derling, 7-2 Poppy Charm, 9-2 Lady Poly,

3.00 SHEEKEYS RESTAURANT MAIDEN

5 PU0 SALDR'S VISION 12 P Hudger 9-11-7 G Moore 6 4900 SHARPFORD 70 D Browning 7-11-7 J Alemant 7 FUNNYFOOT J White 10-11-2 5-2 Call Me Early, 3-1 Monkscombe, 7-2 Starpford, 6-1 others.

3.30 MANHATTAN BOY HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,266; 2m) (12) 1 SSFP AFFAIRE DE COEUR 38 (D.F) J Phot-Hayes 8-11-10

2.15 Diamond Cut. 2:50 Western Counties. 3.25 Miss Equilia. 4.00 Stirrup Cup. 4.35 Musical Monarch. 5.10 Pollock. THUNDERER 2.15 Diamond Cut. 2.50 Lake Mission. 3.25 Miss Equilia. 4.00 Stirrup Cup. 4.35 My Key Silca. 5.10 Pollock.

GOING: GOOD (GOOD TO FIRM IN PLACES)

2.15 EXPRESS DARRY NOVICES HURDLE (4-Y-O: £1,166: 2m 150yd) (6 runners)

1 1201 DIAMOND CUT 6 (D.F.G) M Pipe 11-12 ____ J Front
2 4066 MADRAJ 58 (D.F) R Baker 11-5 ____ N Colenter
3 0600 JOLLY FLIER 46 Mrs A Kright 10-12...__ G Knight
4 60P JUST READY 24 G Hem 10-12..._ S Borrough
5 0PP SEA CADET 54 K Bishop 10-12..._ R Greene (5)
6 0034 LADY GWENMORE 8 (5) H Willie 10-7 A Madgwick (7)

5-11 Diamond Cut. 9-4 Madray, 8-1 Lady Gwenmore, 15-1 other 2.50 NURDIN AND PEACOCK HANDICAP

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3.25 TOLCHARDS BREWERY SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,194: 2m 150yd) (11)

2-1 Miss Equita, 3-1 Teacher's Drawn, 11-2 Mistress Lif. 6-1 See Now, 12-1 Wingcommander Eats, 20-1 others.

MANDARIN 2.00 Ragtime. 2.30 Fiddle A Little. 3.00 Olivers Hill. 3.30 Rambling Song. 4.00 Northumbrian King. 4.30 Come Home Alone. THUNDERER

2.00 Rowhedge. 2.30 Magsood. 3.00 Skomal. 3.30 Rambling Song. 4.00 Northumbrian King. 4.30

Brian Beel: 4.00 Sheer Jest.

GOING: GOOD

2.00 NSPCC EASTER EGG SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,021: 2m 4f) (11 runners)

3-1 Quelitar Fighter, 7-2 Ragtima, 9-2 Book Of Genesia, 6-1 Temporale, 8-1 Rowhedge, 10-1 in The Spotlight, 16-1 others.

2.30 NSPCC CHARITY NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (£1,683: 2m 4f) (9)

2 3159 FATHER PADDY 17 (HJF) C Neath 10-11-5
V Donogtuse (7)
3 62UM ARMALA 23 A Stackmare 7-11-2. V Donogtuse (7)
4 P03P JURANSTAN 40 (B) C Tiscrinc 7 11-0 Poster Caldwell
5 0384 ESCRIBANA 13 (V.P.) J Jonano 7-10-12. D Walsh (5)
6 F080 Bertti EY 32 Mars J Cody 9-10-12. Mr (6 Morrow 17)
1 0322 MACSCOD 42 5 McGor 7-10-12. S Earle
8 UPSP RARELY AT ODDS 96 M Charles 8 10-12
Judy Davies (7) 7-4 Fajdile A Little, 9-4 Magsood, 7-2 Escribena, 10-1 Armala, 16-1 Father Paddy, Juranston, 25-1 others.

1 282U SOLIDASAROCK 18 (D.F.G.S) R Abdust 10-11-10 JWNie 2 2431 YIRAGAN 34 (C.D.G.S) D Barons 10-11-3. N Hawke 3 5843 STRONG GOLD 18 (B.F.G.S) Mrs J Pilmen 9-10-13 4 2220 TRUSTY FRIEND 41 (D,G,S) J Edwards 10-10-11 W McFarland 5-1 Strong Gold, 3-1 Artiful Abbol, 5-1 Yiragan, 6-1 Solidasarock 10-1 Trusty Friend. 4.30 CASTLE NOVICES HURDLE (£1,940; 2m) (6)

1 543F AMBROSE 54 (D.BF.F.(3) R Johnson Houghton 5-11-9

BY G Johnson Houghton 5-11-9

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BY HOUSE STAP 41 (D.G) Mr. J Fernan 6-11-9. Mr. France 6-11-9. Mr. F

52 Bank View, 11-4 Winne The Witch, 7-2 Seypanes, 6-1 Don Valen-lino, 10-7 Gay Ruffien, 16-1 Dis Train, 25-1 Amiconibe Run.

3.30 SOUTH WALES ARGUS CENTENARY

11-4 Tree Poppy, 3-1 Belatonte, 4-1 Spirit Of Kitans, 9-2 Marling-ford, 8-1 Kenndathil, 10-1 Viceroy Jester.

4.00 BEACHLEY HANDICAP CHASE

HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,057: 2m) (6)

5 1550 MANNATIAN BOY 42 (CO.F.G.P.) FROM 10-11-4 6 PGD EDDE KTEU 8 (CDUP E) R CTS dess P (TH) D CTS dess (S) 7 1988 STRAIGHT LACED 38 (8,0) P Clinia 5-11-1

10 PF05 DISHEPLAND 60 (D.F) Mine B Sunday 8-10-12 J Leach (S)
11 2011 PREDESTINE 25F (D.G) M Medgadd: 7-10-5 D Slayme
12 6460 PANT LLIN 16F (B.D.F) F Joden 6-10-3 J Lodder
7-2 Present Times, 9-2 Star Of The Glor, 5-1 Manhadas Boy, 6-1 Predestine, 8-1 Great Strepticity, 10-1 The Yomper, 12-1 others.

4.00 EASTER CLAIMING CHASE (£1,804: 2m) (5)

1 1224 BENDICKS 37 (CD.B.S) A Moore 10-11-2 G Moore 2 5400 DEPRYMORE BOY 2 (6.S) J Fitch+layes 10-11-0 J Ceborne 3 524F FOGAR 77 (F) J White 10-10-12 D Morris 3 524F FOGAR 77 (F) J White 10-10-12 D Morris 4 1345 ABEROY 7 (F,G) M Ryan 13-10-11 J D O'Sulliven (3) 5 4546 GABISH 88 (F) R Vocapuy 7-10-11 D O'Sulliven (3) 84 Aberoy, 94 Denymare Boy, 3-1 Bendicks, 6-1 Fager, 8-1 Gabish.

4.30 ALFRISTON NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (£1,242: 3m 1f) (5)

1 5111 MARK KYBO 5 (CD,F,G) R O'Sullivan 8-12-2 (7ux)
D O'Sullivan (5)
2 4312 MAD CASAMOVA 9 (B,D,S) O Sharwand 7-11-11 3 F2F6 DISCO DUICE 47 (F) A Moore 7-10-7 G Moore 4 P6P0 ROCKY VULGAN 47 (B) Miss L Boses 3-10-8 5 (25 CRAW-CPUSTOWN 915 D CRain 12-10-8 D Gallegies 5-4 Mark Kybo, 7-4 Med Casanova, 5-1 Disco Duke, 8-1 others

5.00 JOHN HARE MAIDEN HURDLE (4-Y-O: £851: 2m) (11)

1 280 COME ON DANCER 75 J White 11-0____ D Skyrme
2 0000 CRX2Y HORSE DANCER 26 F Jordan 11-0 J Lodking
3 4 DANUSE 4 Miss H Knight 11-0____ J Caborne
4 0055 D ISTEFANO 18F G Herwood 11-0___ D Gallagher
5 60 FWE CASTLES 229 G Enright 11-0___ R Moore (7)
6 05P MICHAELB DAWN 47 J FRich-Hayen 11-0__ S MoNell
7 P MODERN ART 6 R Alternat 11-0___ J Lacch (3)
8 05P MANASTE 18 R Rose 11-0___ J Lacch (3)
9 09P MANASTE 18 R Rose 11-0__ G Moore
10 F CRISPAHAN 13 A Moore 10-0
11 O LADY MARIBULD 12 R Thempsion 10-0
14 MARIBULD 12 R Thempsion 10-0
15 MARIBULD 12 R Thempsion 10-0
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94 Di Stefano, 7-2 Carry Horse Dencer, 9-2 Five Castina, 6-1 Others.

4.00 PARTYFARE OF HONITON NOVICES CHASE (£1,932: 3m 2f 100yd) (15) 1-US12 COLONEL'O'KELLY 11 (Q) D Barons 8-11-9 1-U812 COLONEL O'ICELLY 11 (3) D Barrons 8-11-9
2 P403 ALWAYS TALIONG 6 (5) H Wills 11-11-0 A Macquick (7)
3 - P05 PORBANTON 25 May A Kingta 6-11-3 G Kingint
4 - QPD FREINDS AGAIN 25 R Frost 8-11-3 J Prost
5 - PUP HAZZARD'S BOY 34 W G M Turms 7-11-3 P Cerey (7)
6 UGP2 NORSTOWN 6 (F.S.R Holder 10-11-3 P Cerey (7)
7 P05P OUR ENTIERTAINER 44 D Rockurgh 10-11-3 J O'Harton (7)
8 F80U PREDITOR 6 P Rodicus 8-11-3 May 5 May 5
10 P52P STRANG POR 10-11-3 D Leasily (7)
10 P52P STRANG CUP 37 (AS) O Sharood 8-11-3 S Burrough
11 P4P2 TAGNICUM CHAUPOUR 34 A Demos 7-11-3 S Burrough
12 SF45 TPPENARY NN 9 (S) R Mathew 10-11-3 N Coleman
14 F5 HAND OUT 34 R Buckler 8-10-12 N Coleman
15 GP- TUDOR SUNSET 466 B Forey 7-10-12 S CHAUPOUR 5
15 Strang Cup, 5-1 Tagmoun Cheurfieur, 6-1 Norstown, 10-1 Colonal

4.35 PETERS SAVOURY PRODUCTS
CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS NOVICES HANDICAP

11-8 Stimp Cup, 5-1 Tagmoun Cheuffeur, 6-1 Norstown, 10-1 Colonal O'Kally, 14-1 Always Tallyno, Hand Out, 20-1 Preditor, 25-1 others.

HURDLE (£1,551: 2m 5f 110yd) (6) I 110P MY KEY SR.CA 40 (CD.F.S) C Nesh 7-11-10 S Cillioro 2 1 CASPIAN MIST 38 (G) M Pipe 7-11-6 3 3105 MUSICAL MONARCH 88 (CD.6F.S) D Berons 6-11-6 R Greens 4 6005 CLITTERBIRIO 9 (8) K Bishop 5-10-3 R Graems 5 000 MALVERNIAN 26 Mrs H Parrott 5-10-2 D Leahy 6 PPPP DANE DOZY 67 D Redwigh B-10-0 R Edwards (7) 13-8 Cappin Mass, 2-1 Musical Monarch, 5-1 My Kay Silca, 7-1 Mal-vernen, 12-1 Gitterbed, 50-1 Dane Dozy.

5.10 SOUTH WEST RACING CLUB CHALLENGE TROPHY HANDICAP HURDLE

(£1,752: 2m 5f 110yd) (8)

1 6211 POLLOGK 33 (B.F.G.S) M Pipe 9-11-10 2 2PF0 AS GOOD AS GOLD 25 (G) G Balding 6-11-3 J Frost 3 -FF6 IT'S AFTER TIME 52 (C.S) Mrs R Brackenbury 7-10-11 4 316 STEEPLE JACK 48 (8) K Bishop 5-10-5 R Gelfford (3) 5 0050 DOMINION TREASURE 53 (CD.G.S) R Baker 7-10-1 6 1TP- OCEAN LAD 22F (F) A Chamberles 6-40-6

3.00 SOTHEBY'S HANDICAP HURDLE
(\$2,215: 2m 100yd) (10)

1 800- FLYING ZIAD 439 [D,F,Q,S) R Curtis \$-120

2 303 DYFLIN 13 (D) K Burks \$-11-1

3 1422 DOOLAR 137 (D,B,F,F,G) P Delton 5-11-0

4 1114 OLIVERS HILL 25 (CD,F,S) C Trieffine 9-10-11

5 3/13 SASKIA'S REPRIEVE 208 (D,F,G,S) J Bottomicy

8-10-10

5 3/14 CDESMINING 314F (D,F) Mrs. L Clay 6-10-5 6 544- GREENWINE 318F (D.F) Mrs L Clay 6-10-5 7 01FP LAVA FALLS 12 (CD.F.G.) M Banks 6-10-4 D Murphy 8 4BP1 SKOMAJ 7 (CD.F.G.S) S Bowen 10-10-0 I Shoemark 9 0F-P SKIDDY LAD 45 (D.S) S smith 10-10-0 10 0605 WHISKEY BLUES 4F (8.D.G.) 8 Richmond 7-10-0

9-4 Olivers Hill, 3-1 Dooler, 7-1 Dyllin, 8-1 Shornel, 16-1 others. 3.30 EFT HANDICAP CHASE

2,092: 2m 4f) (6)

1 6000 RUN TO FORM 26 (CD,G,S) Mrs. J. Pittene 7-11-11 —

2 1502 ARDSRIN 23 (D,F,G,S) T Tate 6-11-10... D Murphy 3 5P21 RAMBLING SONG 46 (CD,G,S) T Forsier 12-11-7 Mr R Farrant (7)

4 3361 GEE-A 17 (CD,F,G,S) F Murphy 13-11-5... —

5 3034 PT FOR PRING 46 (D,G,S) D Elevents 6-10-7 P Molley (£2,092: 2m 4f) (6)

5 P104 HOLTERMANN 7 (F.G) Mrs L Cby 8-10-6

2.1 Ardonn, 3-1 Fit Fot Firing, 7-2 Rambling Song, 6-1 Run To Form, 8-1 Gee-A, 10-1 Holtermann 4.00 MONTY SHINE MEMORIAL NOVICES HUNTER CHASE (Amateurs: £931: 3m) (4)

1 22-2 NORTHUMBRIAN KING 13 (F.G) hirs K Walton 6-12-0
M Armytage
2 24-P CUICK REACTION 38 (F) Mrs E Hosth 9-12-0
3 30/2 SHEER JEST 56 (BF) W Warmer 7-12-0
A HIII (3)
P SPARTAN SPRITE 58 Lord Somerlayign 8-11-9. 4-5 Northmonen King, 11-10 Sheer Jest 20-1 others 4.30 NSPCC CHILD PROTECTION HELP-

INE NOVICES HURDLE (£1,8/2: Zm 4) (10/ 1 200P 8/SHOP'S TIPPLE 35 C Tretine 8-11-3 . I Shoemark 2 -000 DOVENILL 88 R Townsend 6-11-3 ... Mr D Townsend 3 22 FOUZ 454 Mer. K Alison 9-11-3 ... Mr D Townsend 4 40P HOME TO TARA 401 Mr J Cost 8-11-3 ... Mr G Morrow (7) 5 31P5 KANOOZ 13 (8,0) S Melor 4-11-3 ... S Earle 6 3213 LUKE'S BRAVE BOY 54 (BF.S) A Hide 4-11-3 ... B Largery LINE NOVICES HURDLE (£1,872: 2m 4f) (10) 6 3213 LUNCE'S BRANKE BUT S4 (BF-S) A PRICE 4-11-3

7 3030 MOURITSHARRON 26 C Trietline 6-11-3

Read Caldwell

8 0542 RITYAL PROGRESS 44 9 Shemedo 4-11-3

9 806 COME HOME ALONE 58 N Gacelee 4-10-10

10 0P3 SEA BREAKER 7 D Canbion 4-10-10 ... S Curran (7)

5-2 Come Home Alone, 4-1 Sea Breaker, 9-2 Fouz, 5-1 Luke's Brave Boy, 6-1 Royal Progress, 12-1 Kanooz, 25-1 others.

MANDARIN

2.15 Groomsman. 2.45 Pick Roundstone. 3.15 Fire At Will. 3.50 Red Ring. 4.25 Sporting Mariner. THUNDERER 2.15 Superior Finish. 2.45 Pick Roundstone. 3.15 Fire At Will 3.50 Kino. 4.25 Dromin Leader. 4.55

Anna Valley. Brian Beel: 4.25 Padrigal.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT

1 0006 TREE POPPY 37 (CD,Q,S) C Brooks 9-11-13 G Bradley
2 0002 KANNDABIL 10 (B,D,S) N Tricker 5-11-9. G McCourt
3 01-3 BILAFONTE 14F (CD,BF,F,S) R Holder 5-11-9. D Mattrewst (7)
4 5275 MAPLINGFORD 10 (D,Q,S) Mrs J Jorden 5-11-7. J Lover
5 0000 VCCHCH USSTER SF (D,F,S) G Busing 7-11-4. W McShyriand
6 21-P SPIRIT OF IGERIS 9 (S) Mrs J Planue 7-97. 2.15 PENRHYN HANDICAP HURDLE

(£2,192: 3m 96yd) (12 runners) 9 0134 NUT TREE 25 D Wike 7-10-0 W Merstoa (7) 10 0044 DONNA DEL LAGO 8 (8F.F.) T Casey 6-10-0 W Merstoa (7) 13 3960 PSINCE KLEWK 8 (CD.F.), CLS A Device 11-10-0 W MIGH CASTE 16 M Cherron 5-10-0 Lorms Vincent

7-2 Sen Buck, 4-1 Groomsmen, 5-1 Superior Finish, 6-1 Custebuy Led, 8-1 Beau Pari, 10-1 Perry Well, 14-1 others.

2.45 BLAKESLEY NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (£1,618: 2m 50yd) (9)

1 8192 PICK ROUNDSTONE 7 (D.G) J Gitterd 9-11-10
P 1450 (7)

2 544P MR-PAW 12 F Murphy 9-11-5
3 25UF CRUISE CONTROL 16 M Withham 5-11-4

4 Deus JOHNSON 28 M Wildman 6-10-12 M Lynch 5 3305 AFALTOUN 11 D Genetolio 7-10-12 G Upton 6 49P5 SLIEVENAMADDY 23 M Berractough 8-10-10 T N-P SONG ANDANCE MAN 52 bits A Lie 9-700 T Grandwin 5 1020 SLIE SUCCAMESP 36 T Forms 9-100 L Harvey 1832 SUCCESSION LAD 15M hasces 11-100 L 11-4 Pick Roundstone, 7-2 Afeltoun, 5-1 Johnson, 6-1 Bridgetown Lud, 8-1 Silenenemeddy, 12-1 others.

3.15 ALEX FETHERSTONHAUGH

1 1F16 PAMBER PRIORY 18 (C.D.BF.G.S) T Thomson June
11F16 PAMBER PRIORY 18 (C.D.BF.G.S) T Thomson June
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3 28F3 CARDINAL RALPH 6 (C.D.) Gistoria 8-11-5 Miles A Embiticus
4 P22F SALAMANDER JOE 94 (D.BF.F.S) O Nicholson 7-11-4 Miles A Embiticus
5 2861 PAMPERING 55 (D.G.S) Miles I 1-11-2. G Uppon
5 2861 FIRE AT WILL 32 (CDLS) T Forster 8-11-0... H Device
7 F111 SPRUGER 12 (C.BF.G.S) Miles I McKin 7-10-11
L Hisroey 8 P546 VALASSY 54 (CD.G.S) J Edwards 9-10-7.
9 3226 MASTER CORNET 40 (D.G) B Rothwell 7-10-4.
10 US40 MET HERBRIDGE 88 (C.D.F.G.S) D Gardeob 14-1

3.50 ADSTONE HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,688; 2m) (6)

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4 F523 TIPP DOWN 30 (D,S) D Murray Smith 9-103 M Lync
5 5511 PEAK DISTRICT 13F (D,S) K Bridgmater 6-10-6 ...
6 010P FUSSY LADY 56 (D,F) Mrs I McCe 5-10-0 . L Harvey
5-2 Peak District, 3-1 Red Ring, 7-2 Kino, 5-1 Tipp Down, 7-1 Moore
Stylish, 14-1 Fussy Lady.

4.25 SCHILIZZI COMMEMORATIVE CHALLENGE CUP (Hunters Chase: Amateurs: £1,494; 2m 5f 110yd) (8)

1 0513 SPORTING MARINER 9 (F,G,S) D Bloor 10-12-5 2 FP3U BOB TIBDALL 17 (G,S) N Gassier 13-12-0 A Ogden (7) 3 1PP- DROMIN LEADER 362 (8) Miss H Knight 7-120 4 F-3F DROMORE CASTLE 17 (CD.Q.S) R Welsy-Cohen 12-12-0----5 -41P LAST EXTRAVAGANCE 23 (G) M Charches 11-12-0

6 2523 FINAL SPRING 38 P Warmer 8-11-9 J Windle (7) 7 [P0 GUNINER JIM 16 M Fetherston-Goddwy 8-11-9 PADRIGAL J Cheatle 9-11-4 A Sansome (7) 11-4 Bob Tladell, 4-1 Dromore Castle, 9-2 Sporting Manner, 6-1 Final Spring, 8-1 Last Editoragance, 10-1 Dromin Leader.

4.55 DUNCOTE MAIDEN HURDLE

(£1,392: 2m) (17)

7 - 304 PARDON ME MUM 31 C Sherwood 7-12-0
MT J Curken
8 - 023 PEACEMAN 85 Mrs D Harne 6-12-0 PHide (7)
9 PEOC N RED C Tidraus 5-12-0 PT Hompson (1)
10 0-PF TOMANY MOORE 77 J O'Shes 5-12-0 H Davies
12 0F26 ANNA VALLEY 74 G Batding 6-11-3 G Rowe (7)
13 0P MARINEY BARLE 45 H Hodge 5-11-9 G Rowe (7)
14 /PP SCAVSBY LEES 9 Mrs A Lee 8-11-9 T Granthum
15 30 DEBT OF HONOR 12 K Bridgwater 4-11-0 T Granthum
16 8300 RHOMAN COIN 2 B ROTHWEI 4-11-0 G Upton

7-2 Banene Cultimirs, 4-1 Pandon Me Mum, 5-1 Paecemen, 6-1 Been Terre, 8-1 Garaton La Galfe, 10-1 others.

Johnston lands gamble

Double Blue, trained at Middleham by Mark Johnston, landed a gamble in the Queen Elizabeth Handicap at Kempton on Saturday. Michael Roberts had the colt, who started at only 5-2 in a field of 22, swiftly out of the stalls and came home three-and-a-half lengths ahead of Don't Smile. Johnston is keen to strike again before the handicapper

re-assesses Double Blue and has a race at Beverley on Thursday in mind.

MANDARIN 2.00 Bankroll. 2.30 Shadeux. 3.00 Midfielder. 3.30

THUNDERER 2.00 High Baron. 2.30 Seventh Lock. 3.00 Midfielder. 3.30 Rawaan. 4.00 Farmles Boy. 4.30

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM

2.00 AXBRIDGE NOVICES HURDLE (£1,381: 2m) (11 runners) 11,381: 2m) (11 runners)

1 341 BANCKOLL 7 (F) F Hebbs 5-11-7

2 2109 BROWN SAUCE 46 (D.F) N Herdeson 6-11-7 R Dunner

1 0139 LANE LAD 7 (D) Mis J Wormscott 8-11-7

4 454 GRAND FRENE 12 M Fipe 6-11-0

5 264 HIGH BARON 37 R Airer 5-11-0

6 // MILAN FAIR 12 Mis K George 6-11-0

7 0050 MILAN FAIR 12 Mis K George 6-11-0

8 340 CADER OF MERIT 32 S Turton 7-11-0

N 1 B FF-6 RING OF THE SOUTH 6-1 BIOL 5-11-0

10 0023 TEL E THON 53 (E) P Lione 5-11-0

1 THOO SUMTIN 284 P Europyne 6-10-9

A Challender 2-2 George 6-11 Brown Sauce, 6-1 Laine

11-4 Benkrot, 7-2 Grand Frers, 4-1 Brown Sauce, 6-1 Lane Lad, 8-1 Tel E Thon, 10-1 Mr Jamborse, 12-1 others. 2.30 ORCHARD FM HANDICAP HURDLE

(£1,821: 2m 6f) (13) 1 36-0 LITTLE TORO 32 (F.S) C Barwell 10-11-10 A Charlin 2 2213 INTERPRETATION 49 (BF,F) N Henderson 6-11-5 R Developed 2 2213 INTERPRETATION 46 (BF,F) N Prenderson CV
3 0821 SHADEUX 17 (F,S) M/s J Wonnscott 6-11-4
M/s M Hourigen (7)
4 F-PP THEO'S FELLA 23 (G) J Fox 8-11-2 5 Hodgeon
5 4642 SEMENTH LOCK 53 (F) O Sherwood 6-11-0 J McCerrity (7)
6 -PS NONE 50 WSS 28 (RS) N Michael 6-10-3. Peter Hoode
7 2005 SUKAAB 24 (CSF,F) B Ryel 7-10-10 N Mem
8 0 SPEND EST 34 (D,F,G) M/s S Johnson 12-10-8
9 (FO) PARLEZVOUSFRANCAS 25 (F,S) M Pipe 8-10-8
10 FRS2 VOMERO 24 F NANCAS 25 (F,S) M Pipe 8-10-8
11 JSS STAR OF OUGHTERARD 68 (V,F) T McGovern 7-10-0
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3.00 BLAGDON MOVICES CHASE (£2,103: 2m 5f) (11)

3.30 HINDON CLAIMING HURDLE

1.200: Zm) (1U)
1 1142 RAWAAN 9 (D.F.G.S) N Tinkler S-11-7. R Dunwoody
2 000 SNIGILAR RUN 17F (V) Mrs. J Deser S-11-7. N Dawe
3PPUP POLDER 42 (D.F.) D Williams S-11-5. Mr G Lewis (7)
4 00P2 NOROIC DEUGHT 33 (V.D.F.G.S) Mr Pos S-11-4.
5 0S- HEAR A MIGHTINGALE 13F R Hodges S-11-0

7-4 Nordic Delight, 3-1 Rawsen, 5-1 Viceray Gem, 6-1 Dering Class, 10-1 Shelidi's Pet, 72-1 Hear A Nightingale, 12-1,others.

4.00 CHURCHILL HANDICAP CHASE 4 4350 GOLDEN MINSTREL 16 (D.F.G.S) J Gillord 13-11-1

8 836P ARCTIC BARON 77 (F) Mrs J Dame 7-10-0 9 F84P PAT ALASKA 104 (F.S) Mrs P Dutleid 9-10-0 10 2PPP HEIGHT OF FUN 15 (B,D,F,S) C Pophem 8-10-0 11 PPOP BONANZA REBEL 11 (D,F) C Barwell 10-10-0 9-4 Benter's Gossig, 3-1 Ross Venture, 9-2 Golden Minatrel, 5-1 Avon-mouthescretary, 8-1 Cacidy, 10-1 others.

4.30 SPARKFORD NATIONAL HUNT NOVICES HURDLE (£1,371: 2m) (10)

1 21F SYDMONTON 45 (D.BF,G) N Handamon 6-11-7 8-11 Sydmonton, 4-1 Indian Tonic, 6-1 Eric's Train, 8-1 Run Fast For Gold, 12-1 Tulter's Genth, 14-1 others.

☐ Musicale, the Fred Darling Stakes winner, remains a firm 3-1 favourite with Ladbrokes for the 1,000 Guineas at Newmarket in ten days' time. Other prices: 6-1 Hatoof. 7-1 Marling, Soiree, 10-1 A To Z.

☐ Steve Cauthen, riding the Shaikh Mohammed-owned Past Master, took second place behind Funny Baby in the group three Premio Ambrosiano in Milan yesterday.

Plumpton

2.30 1, Plestio Speceage (11-8 lav), 2, Worthy Knight (7-2); 3, Popeswood (9-2). 8 rs= 3.00 1, Prosequendo (11-1); 2, Guest Player (3-1 fav), 3, Espril De Famme (20-1) 13 ran

3-1 Code Dodger, 4-1 Midfielder, 5-1 Spice Merchent, 8-1 Smartle Expense, 8-1 Dat Trait, 10-1 others.

4.15 1. Phillimsy (33-1); 2. Re-Release (4-7 tav); 3. Recidents (16-1), 10 ran 4.45 1, Trewithler (3-1); 2. Loch Dutch (8-1); 3. Taketon Flyer (9-1); Early Breeze 3-1 tav. 9 ran. NR: Cone Lare. 5.15 1, Future King (4-1); 2. Crooked Counsel (7-4 tav); 3. West Bay (3-1) 11 ran. NR: Botmoor Way 5.001, Admirale Sout (9-4 fav); 2, Tanoda (5-1); 3, Lichwein (16-1). 12 ran. Kempton Park Going: good to soff 2.10 (51) 1, Pipe Pride (W Carson, 11-2); 2, Hestinfield (100-30 fav); 3, Toff Sundae (12-1), 11 ran, NR: Mark's Club, 8L, 11, R Hannen, Tote: 55.60; 52.20, 51.70, 53.60. DF: £12.90, CSF: £74.05.

DF: E12:B1. CSF: E14:IIS

2.40 (1cs 2); 1, Fengari (A Munro, 9-1); 2, Romensh (4-1 fav); 3, in The Picture (6-1), 13 ran. NR. Lake Dominion. 14; 154; P. Walwyn, Tote: £3.50; £2.60; £1.90, £2.10. DF: £16.70. CSF: £6.58. Triceus: £223.46.

3.10 (6); 1, Double Blue (M Roberts, 5-2 fav); 2, Don't Smile (16-1); 3, Boogle Sopper (33-1); 4, Windpower (10-1). 22 ran. 354; 16; M. Johnston. Tose: £3.30; £1.40, £2.30, £1.90. DF: £47.20. Trice: £347; 50. CSF: £40.02. Trices£51. Yeveed.
3.20 1, Sharpelto (9-2); 2, Segabrush Roller (12-6 lev); 3, Misunderstanding (9-1). 9 ran.
3.50 1, Fettish (9-13 lev); 2, Clear Sound (12-1); 3, Maselba (4-1), 4 ran.
4.20 1, Kalsar (5-4 lev); 2, West Stow (6-4); 3, Free Tumeler (50-1). 7 ran. NR Tour Leader.

998.51.
3.40 (1m) 1, Cloud Of Dust (T Quinn, 6-1);
2, Amsenma (8-1); 3, Venturins (11-2),
Wasertowi Creek 4-5 tev. 5 no. Nil:
Brightness Vid, 71, Durlop, Toke: 28.30;
22 00, 23.00. DF 128.30 CSF; \$41.97. 22 Do, 23.00. DF 128.30 CSF: \$41.97.
4.10 (1m) 1, Lucky Lindy (J. Reid, 3-1); 2, Ezzoud (5-2 fav); 3, Silver Wap (5-1), 6 ran, 5h hd, 2i, R. Hannon, Tote: \$2.20; \$1.70, \$1.90. DF: \$5.40. CSF: \$10.28.
4.40 (2m) 1, Star Quest (Pat Eddary, 13-2); 2, Bardolph (11-2); 3, Subsonic (5-1), Welshmen 100-30 fav, 9 ran, 11, 781. J. Jenkins. Tote: \$6.80; \$2.00, \$1.70, \$2.10, DF: \$78.40. CSF: \$23.54. Tricest: \$177.11, Jackhost: not wenn (Pon) of \$2.288.05. Jackpet not won (Pool of 23,788.05 carried forward to Kempton Park to-day). Placapot: 2314.70.

Haydock Park

Newcastle 2.20 1, No Counter Given (11-8 fav); 2, Consulate (9-1); 3, Best Effort (9-2) 6 ran

2.50 1, Bird Hunter (5-2): 2, Riston Lady (20-1); 3, Klas in The Dark (14-1). Boldville Bash 8-11 tev. 7 ran. NR: Westmand Nick,

Carlisie

2. 15 1, Clovernell (3-1); 2, Shewwel (2-1); 3, Touching Times (6-1); 8 ran.

2. 45 1, Rain Pat Ran (5-1); 2, Random Warrior (33-1); 3, Just Pretend (8-1).

3. 15 1, Soon (14-1); 2, Family Line (5-1), 3, Heliopsis (11-8 ray.), 19 ran.

3. 45 1, The Antartax (100-30); 2, Spare 191.

3. 15 1, Manham 195 (100-30); 2, Spare 191.

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3. 15 1, Manham 195 (100-30); 2, Spare 191. Heliopata (11-8 fav). 19 ran 3.45 1, The Assartan: (100-30); 2. Spark Of Peece (9-2); 3. Unex-Plained (9-4 tav). 8 ran. 4.15 1, Macham (14-1); 2. Easby Hopes (33-1); 3. Lowiands (33-1). Well Briefed 4-6 fav. 15 ran. NR: Grant Lagend. 4.45 1, Lettertone (3-1 tay); 2. Justice Lee (15-2); 3. Fettanosine (100-30), 14 ran.

2.60 1, Norstano (2-1 tay); 2, Med Mytten (6-1); 3, Contract Efte (9-2), 6 ran.
2.30 1, Magnificent (3-1); 2, Doyce (5-2 fay); 2, Mad Militant (16-1); 8 ran.
3.00 1, Parfs House (3-1); 2, Stack Rook.
(6-1); 3, Sir harry hardman (6-1), Notley 9-4 fav. 8 ran.
3.30 1, Inchealloch (Evens fav. Private Handicapper's top rating); 2, Viva Durling (16-1); 3, Iron Beron (16-1); 9 ran.
4.00 1, Saffsah (3-2); 2, Lord Hessie (5-1); 3, Bodtio Patrick (5-2 fav); 10 ran.
4.20 1, Love Jazz (6-1); 2, Early Star (5-2 fav); 3, Lombard Ocean (8-1); 13 ran.

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2.30 1. Dalliston (13-2), 2, Cool Dude (10-1); 3, Angels Kiss (16-1) Swen Walk, Go Tally-Ho 11-2 (I-lavs. 13 mm. 3.00 1, Cherry Chap (7-2 fev), 2, August Folly (17-2); 3, Unpaid Member (10-1), 12 mm. Ten. NR Franciscan, Arr Eff See. 4.00 1, Shraden Leader (5-1); 2, Tammy My Girl (13-2); 3, Hundecola (13-2). Mr Particolome 15-8 km, 9 ren 1.30 1, Master Oats (8-1); 2. Pepys (14-1), 3. Couture Tights (6-1), Wheting Cone 9-4 far. 9 (se.) 54-134, Man. 165, Mar. 165

Towcester

2.25 1, Cherryidno (9-4 g-lav), 2, Frampton House (25-1); 3, Goodshof Rich (9-4 g-lav), 13 ran, NF: Bennie Dundes, Rabe Ribe.
2.55 1, Woodlands Gengower (33-1), 2, Thamesdown Toolsie (4-1); 3, Camcestin (7-1); 3, Bally Franchman (12-1). Sand Castle 3-1 (av. 16 ran, NF: Knave Of Clubs Chibs
3.25 1, Northern Lies (4-1); 2, Members' Revenge (4-1); 3, Tildebe (11-8 tay), 5 ran.
3.55 1, Sneatapearry (8-1); 2, Winabuck (3-1); 3, The Leggett (15-8 tay), 7 ran.
4.25 1, Moor Scope (9-2); 2, Proverblet Luck (8-1); 3, Lake Tibenes (4-1); Lulary Lad B-15 fav, 7 ran.
4.55 1, Meschent Of Versico (5-2) San Larenzo 6-4 lav. 12 ran, NR. Atabur.

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Ticket to ride the last two big privatisations

THE Conservative party, fresh from electoral victory, believes that right sale. The rest of the trust ports will be sold by competitive the next five years will represent the final ebbing of a tide that started in 1946. By the end of this parliament, the party believes that almost all the productive parts of the economy taken into the public sector after the second world war

will have been privatised. The two biggest assets still in the public sector are British Coal and British Rail, both specifically identified in the latest manifesto. But the time-scale envisaged means that whatever course the govern-ment decides, substantial chunks of BR at least could still be in the public sector when the party next goes to the electorate.

The remaining holdings in BT and National Power and PowerGen, the two electricity generators, are also important in terms of fund-raising — arguably more so than BR and Coal because they represent assets that already have a clear price-tag. They are worth between them almost £7 bil-

The manifesto says nothing of these residual holdings, although eventual sale is likely. The document says merely that the Conser-vatives will continue the policies of privatisation, returning British Coal to the public sector, along with the local authority bus com-panies. Local authorities will be encouraged to sell their airports.

The government will end British Rail's monopoly, a commitment that notably falls short of an out-

ports will be sold by competitive tender, as envisaged in the Ports Act 1991, after the disposal of Tees and Hartlepool, Tilbury, Medway.

Forth and Clyde. Northern Ireland Electricity is aiready up for sale, and the province's water and sewage services will follow. Other extensions of private sector discipline into the pub-lic services will involve more contracting-out of services and competitive tendering by both local

and central government.

The pitfalls facing the sale of the coal industry, always a prospect set to arouse strong emotions, were typified by the rumpus this year the deporture of Malcolm Ed. over the departure of Malcolm Edrector of British Coal.

Mr Edwards, an industry man for 35 years, found himself at loggerheads with Neil Clarke, put in place early last year to oversee the sale. He had embarrassed his for-mer employers in February with an outspoken defence of the industry before the energy select committee in Parliament.

He had warned that British Coal's output could shrink from the 70 million tonnes achieved in the year to end-March, when the corporation reported a profit for the second year running, to 25 mil-lion tonnes and that the number of pits could fall from about 50 to 14. The government's own adviser, NM Rothschild, the merchant bank, is thought to have come to a similar conclusion if Coal is to be

Martin Waller reports

on the pitfalls for a

state sell-off of coal

and the idealogical confusion surrounding

plans for British Rail

saleable. Crucial to Coal's future viability, and therefore saleability, are its relationship with the electricity industry, the corporation's biggest customer, and the so-called "dash for gas" that has seen that industry building casfired materials. industry building gas-fixed power stations that would obviate the need for coal.

British Coal has less than 12 months to finalise coal supply contracts with the two generators. It currently supplies at £47 a tonne; but coal is available on the world market for £35 a tonne. The gener-ators need to balance security of supply and certain environmental benefits offered by domestic coal against the cost savings available elsewhere. Only when these issues are thrashed out, and British Coal has demonstrated some stability under the new price regime, can the corporation be sold.

The watering down of proposals for British Rail from outright sale to a sort of creeping denationalisation, represented a considerable climbdown for the Conservatives

server had already conceded, that the network in its present form

Sir Bob Reid, the BR chairman, had said in 1991 that the industry would need £10 billion for modernisation by the year 2000, and other industry voices had put the sum needed even higher. Large chunks of the business, including Network South East, can never be

expected to run at a profit.
The plan, therefore, is to sell those businesses that are running at a profit and put out to tender the loss-making parts to whoever from the private sector would bid to run them with the smallest subsidy from the public purse. That subsi-dy will still be substantial; the bill to the government for keeping lossmaking services running is likely to have risen by 50 per cent, to about £900 million, in the next financial year.

This so-called franchise solution is similar to the system for allocating independent television franchises that the television industry experienced last autumn, and it shares similar disadvantages. Moshares similar disadvantages. Most: significantly, critics say, it threatens disruption of services if one of the franchise holders goes bust or is coming to the end of the franchise period with no prospect. of being awarded the job next time. Subsequently, profitable busi-nesses, such as Railfreight and the parcels delivery business and per-

hans some regional services, will be sold. There is also the option to

ich raises the intriguing prospect of big property or retail groups taking over attractive sites such as the London terminuses: Eventually, BR will merely become owner of the signalling equipment and the track on which the private sector businesses run their trains.

There is still a degree of ideological confusion over plans for the railways. All this backtracking means that the first arret sale from BR to raise funds for the public exchequer will probably come to-wards the end of the lifetime of this 20vernment.

The manifesto, in phrases that hark back to the golden age of steam, says the aim is "to restore the pride and local commitment that died at nationalisation" and "to recapture the spirit of the old regional companies." Franchising provides the best way to improve services for all passengers, it says. Government sources have, since the election, indicated that the breaking of BR's monopoly will be a priority, and the plans of John MacGregor, the new transport sec-retary, are likely to be contained in the Queen's Speech on May 6. It may eventually mean the return under different ownership of some of the famous old liveries that were lost on nationalisation. But the cautious route the government has chosen to follow means that, unlike earlier privatisations, BR will



Platform for change: Sir Bob Reid, head of BR

Opening day for a financial drain in Spain

FROM EDWARD OWEN IN SEVILLE

NEARLY 100 pavilions and not a cricket pitch in sight: the largest ever Expo world fair opens today in Seville. Those who do their corporate entertainment at Lord's should instead be booking now for the fiesta where international networkers will be combining business with pleasure this summer.

But many in Spain say the whole £8 billion Expo project, the most extensive regional development in the EC, is a huge gamble. The Osaka Expo in 1970 made \$146 million profit, but as Spanish costs spiral Expo will be lucky to break even. The 215 hectare Expo pro-

vides a unique opportunity to visit 109 nations and 23 multinational organisations ail in best they have to offer. Commemorating Columbus's voyage to America, the theme is "The Age of Discovery" and

there is plenty to learn. Called "a forum for global communication" by the have VIP suites for business visits. During Expo's six months run, 55,000 cultural events are planned. Eighteen million visitors are expected,

nearly half from Spain, with an estimated 1.2 million from the United Kingdom Felipe Gonzalez, the socialist prime minister, who comes from Seville, has been accused of going too far with the grandiose scheme. He has admitted that by agreeing to organise Expo, he had his only excuse to justify modemising southern Spain's ne-glected infrastructure.

Emilio Cassinello, Expo's commissioner general, says total spending in Andalusia, including the controversial high-speed train link between Seville and Madrid, will be 1.4 billion peseras or £7.8 billion, of which Expo itself

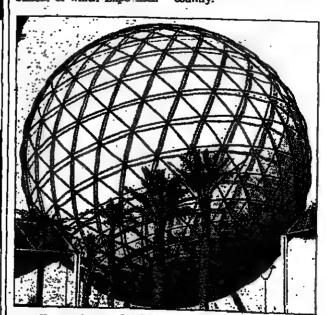
will cost £1.1 billion Only four years ago, the budget for the latter was £406 million. and last week the government had to grant Expo another £278 million for contingencies.

But as the exhibition's coms soar, so does the number of visitors required to help balance the books, now 20 million, and a trip to the show is expensive. Local hotels have doubled, and some tripled, their prices and a one-day adult entrance to Expo costs £22.22. Add travel expenses, refreshments, souvenirs, seenic trips and entertainments. One Spanish magazine calculated that a three-day visit by a typical family of four from Madrid would cost £1,200.

Although the best way to get straight to Expo from the high-speed train, the Ave is trapped between Madrid and Seville because it is on the European gauge, which is network. Three years ago Ave's budget was £944 mil-

lion. Now it is £2.8 billion. Felipe Camison, transport spokesman for the opposition conservative Popular Party. complains: "It has been used by the socialist government of Felipe Gonzalez for the greater glory of his own image, leaving aside the national necessities of rail communication in our country." In the belief that the rush to Seville will not slow after Expo. the city also has 14 new hotels, a new airport, new train station, new bus station, 35 kilometres of new bypass, seven new bridges and is linked by 1,000 kms of new motorway to the rest of Spain and Europe. Malaga and Jerez airports have been expanded.

Only time will tell if the massive regional spending was justified or if it should have been spread around the



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Money men who rule the business world

Even the most colourful characters in Britain's boardrooms have to pay heed to the quiet men who really control the purse strings of British industry. Some did not. and paid the price, says William Kay

brought painful changes in Britain's boardrooms. Many eighties' entrepreneurs, who looked as if they could do no wrong, have been pushed aside while the grey men, the careful, cautious, risk-avoiders, resume charge. More questionable; are the system by which the former heroes were found wanting and the credentials of those who toppled them or failed to take action in time.

A coterie of perhaps 100 key bank executives, leading investment managers of pension funds, insurance companies, unit and investment trusts, decides which companies get money to expand over-expand. In bad times, it decides which companies, or company chiefs, are allowed the extra few months that can make the difference between survival and failure. A pack instinct operates and when the pack closes in there is little a business can do to resist. This change of image can affect even the strongest.

Until less than a year ago, Hanson could do no wrong as a company. Then it spent £250 million buying shares in ICI and Lord Hanson allowed the City to think he was considering a takeover bid. ICI fought back with a series of revelations that damaged Hanson's hitherto untouchable credibility. Lord Hanson was publicly forced to abandon the takeover idea. City power brokers shook their heads sadly, "Hanson is run-ning out of ideas and will slowly decline," said one lead-

ing fund manager.
The big money men there are still few women in positions of financial power – have more say over British business than ever before. Many have been with one institution or managed investments for their entire careers. And after the high-profile bosses have been booted out, the City bosses carry on, business as usual. They are doing their best to rotect deoble's savings, but that does not always mean they take the best decisions for British industry.

Graham Corbett, the longsuffering finance director of Eurotunnel, says: "If we were starting all over again, we would try not to have anything like so many banks lending to us." Most of us blanch at the thought of having to ask just one bank manager for a loan. Corbett and his colleagues have to face 220, of many nationalities. Eurotunnel has virtually no money coming in before it opens for business, so it depends totally on those banks.

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The company has a bank relationship ream working full-time on keeping in touch. Corbett and the group's two co-chairmen also spend two or three hours a week keeping the banks sweet. The central committee of 18 banks are clued up, but Corbett often on company plans, bringing frustrating delays while fine points are explained to banks with little at stake and that spend little time doing their homework on Eurotunnel.

Talking to corporate bankers and the fund managers is taking an increasing amount of British boardroom time. regardless of the state of the business. Recession has only added to the pressure to explain, explain, explain.

Michael Harmall, finance director of Bowater, the printing and packaging group, says:
"We treat the City with great respect. They are largely the owners of the company, after all. We put down in a register the names of our institutional shareholders and our contact with them, noting changes of holdings. It's just a question of keeping in touch and being alert to their concerns."

Andrew Teare, chief executive of English China Clays. says: "A lot depends on the quality of communication. We have had a restructuring of the business, and one of the first things 1 did was to go and talk to a lot of institutions about it. We did what we said we would. If some don't, I'm never surprised that people

Hugh Jenkins, the Welshman who controls the invest--ments of the Prudential, which controls more than 3 per cent of the value of listed companies, trained as a surveyor, became property surveyor for the miners' pension fund and, as he says, "just slid into" general investment management. He has had his

hands on the purse strings of British industry for 20 years. He says the dialogue be-tween the City and industry has become much more intense. "In the 1960s and

1970s, stockbrokers used to introduce industrialists to fund managers over hinch. That has fallen into disrepair, and every day now there is some sort of presentation being given here in our offices by quoted companies that want to explain their latest results, or why they are making a rights issue or a take-over bid. Our managers go visiting as well."

Although the money men paint a harmonious picture, business does not always see it that way. Sir Antony Pil-kington, chairman of the Pilkington glass company, says: They will understand you while you are there, and be wholly sympathetic, but they are looking at tables of figures and you are looking at assets and people."

In 1985, Pilkington managed to see off a takeover bid by BTR. Sir Antony says: The shareholders of British industry have different objectives to the industries themselves. In the old days, there was a much closer relationship between the two, as there is in Japan now. The institutions are necessarily very they were. I don't think anyone has come up with any reasonable solution to it."

In case any manufacturing mogul should forget just who calls the shots, every so often one of them is dropped down a bottomless well into oblivi-on. One of the latest was Hawker Siddeley, once famous as an aircraft firm but latterly a jumbled engineering group less successful than Pilkington at fighting off BTR's approaches. Disillusioned fund managers had quietly been selling Hawker's shares in recent years. Those still aboard had no qualms about surrendering the com-

Dick Barfield, an easygoing Englishman who has in the Scotti nancial establishment as the director handling £11 billion of investments at Standard Life, says: "Hawker had not gone anywhere in the last few years. BTR will manage the assets better than the Hawker management, and that has to be the vardstick."

Paddy Linaker, managing director of the £8 billion M&G unit trust group, has grown with it to become a leading exponent of its philosophy of loyalty and plain speaking in relations with company managements. He says: "It was sad to watch Hawker's decline. They had been a bit dilatory in carrying out what they said they would do to put it right."

er's former managing direc-

tor, says they had strengthen-

ed the internal management

structure and were just imple-

menting new strategy when

recession made the company

a sitting target. "I would have

preferred the institutions to

have been more open than they were and told me in good

time what they thought was

Fund managers are still ret-

icent in voicing discontent before pulling the trigger. Barfield recalls: "Changes of

management at Hawker left us depressed, but we didn't

say you have got to do some-

thing'. We were simply a bit disgruntled."

very different culture, make

lending bankers rather less

reticent if they begin to feel

their loans are at risk. Nell

Harland, the Tyneside gram-

mar school boy who worked

his way through Barclays Bank to become the UK di-

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Dr Alan Watkins, Hawk-'I was not prepared to take directives from the banks,

and that is what got me fire'

Bored: Anita Roddick fell asleep at City meetings



Relative values: Paddy Linaker is an exponent of M&G's philosophy of loyalty and plain speaking



Alive to danger: Michael Hart of Foreign & Colonial

rector in charge of relations with the 400 top companies, explains: "Let's say a com-pany is in difficulty. If you look at it and find the recession has shown this is actually a poor business and it was only in business before because of the ease with which anybody could make money, then you clearly would take a

very different view.
"It would be lovely if you "It would be lovely if you could take your money back immediately, but it just does not work like that. A lot of the time yourse got in a like time to do it. The borrowings not in default, and you we get to like through it. If they re in default, this you can renegotifault, theo you can renegotiments. Then you have to say to yenrself, maybe we don't like it any more, but that doesn't mean to say we have to do something which drives it out of business. So you've got to look at how safe you think you are, and how quickly you might need to look at

vhat you're doing." One of the bitterest sufferers at the banks' hands has been George Walker, ex-boxer turned entrepreneur who found himself fighting a rear-guard action from mid-1990 until he threw in the towel Banks clearly have the right to call in their money. But do they have the right to say 'we are not going to call in our money, but this is the best

it correct that they can tell my

own board of directors to fire

me, or they will send in the liquidators? I was not pre-pared to take directives from

the banks, and that is what

lenders or investors lose faith. Sophisticated analysis can

justify a decision to end or

continue a relationship, but

in the end it is as personal

and subjective as any ro-mance. Barclays: Neil

Harland says: "If it-looks as if a borrower's problem is some-

thing that, given time and

help, they can get through,

not just to survive but to do

well into the future, then you

would try to help them through it. But if you've lost

faith, you can't be in a long-

ager for corporate and insti-

tutional finance at National

Roger Byatt, general man-

term relationship, can you?

The turning point is when

leading bankers lending to Eurotunnel, He says: "That is a first-class example of how the banks backed an idea, although I think we'd have preferred to have had less of a struggle over the last couple of years." Eurotunnel was at one stage in default, but a happy association can take heartache along the way.

The real test for Eurotunnel

and its shareholders will come when it starts operating, and has to meet targets for turnover and cash flow. We shall have a fair idea by 2000 whether it is going to be a success: then we'll have to decide whether to finance a second timnel," Byatt says.

Some big City investors admit openly that they are liable to be led astray by a plausible manner and an alhiring set of figures. "Our trouble is that we stick with companies longer than we should," says Michael Hart, the unassuming managing director of Foreign & Colonial group, whose long record of success in its flagship investment trust, the oldest and now largest, has given him an influence beyond the £4.5 bil-lion he controls: "We like to get to know the management of companies, we see them a lot, and the big danger is that you fall in love with a com-pany. It's only when we get thoroughly disillusioned with the management and they keep on disappointing us that

we think about selling. Prudential's Hugh Jenkins adds: "We want to be able to look into a company chairman's eyes and establish whether he has the credibility in which we can invest our confidence. We make allowances for problems like the recession. but we have to be able to believe what they tell us."

That helps to explain why some businessmen, like Gerald Ramer and the Saatchi brothers, could enjoy such star status, only to plunge to earth in a welter of recrimination. In 1985, for instance, John Richards, of Wood Mackenzie, the City's top retail analyst, said: "Ratners knows the market and can be totally confident of turning an undermanaged company round." The trouble began in 1990 when Ramer paid £234 million for Kay Jeweler in America, which many reckoned too much. Then, last spring, he made his infamous speech to the Institute of Directors, when he described his shops cut-glass sherry decanter set as "total crap". The shares collapsed.

Ramer also combined the roles of chairman and chief executive, something fund managers dislike but ignore so long as things are going well. Ramer stepped down as chairman, but by then the company's profits and repu-

tation had gone. Professional investors are frequently criticised for not isking the tough questions until things go wrong and not digging deep enough to find out what is going on in the companies whose shares they hold. Companies sometimes give shareholders a carefully doctored version, disguising bad news in the hope it will be countered quickly by good. In the past year, more skeletons



Slid into the job: Hugh Jenkins of the Prudential

have been turnbling out of the cupboards than the most nimble tycoon could hide.

Fund managers have grown more willing to campaign for boardroom changes but are still frightened of being accused of trying to run the companies in which they invest. There is a legal reason for that. An outsider deemed to have a direct influence in how a company is managed can be as liable as the directors for any wrongdoing.

Nevertheless, the Bank of England has made it clear that it sees fund managers as the people to supervise the country's leading businesses. John Charkham, an adviser to the Governor of the Bank and a member of Sir Adrian

Cadbury's committee on corporate governance, told a recent conference that shareholders should not shut their eyes because profits and dividends were rolling in. because then "anything goes, including caution, good sense and, sometimes, probity".

Instead, Charkham urged fund managers to ask: "Does the chief executive look strong enough? If he is charismatic. pack a parachute. If he is a superannuated hero, hand him one to float into honourable retirement with."

The Institutional Shareholdens' Committee has condernned "concentrations of decision-making power not formally constrained by checks and balances appropriate to the particular company", without actually recommending its members to wade into corporate messes themselves. There is a suspicion that their liking for more powerful non-executive direc-

responsibility themselves. The greatest concentrator of boardroom power in his own hands was Robert Maxwell. Most fund managers claim to have avoided the late tycoon's companies or baled out long ago. Had they stayed, they might have deternal Maxwell from plundering the pension funds. Because of their boycott, Maxwell's shares were too lowly rated to use as bid currency. So he borrowed. Today the bankers

tors is a way of avoiding

One lender to Maxwell says: "The problem is that people think you just get in for £100 million, just like that. You don't, of course. You tend to have modest exposures, and they grow, sometimes because the companies grow and you've grown up with pany goes one acquisition too far. That has been one of the problems of many of the corpo-

have the red faces.

rate collapses after the boom."

Analysts claim Maxwell over-reached himself when he bought Macmillan Inc in America in 1990. By then, Maxwell had several banks at his beck and call, and was able to play one off against others. Bankers do not like to be the odd one out. When that failed, he resorted to his famous bluster, shouting critics down.

During the boom, bankers were under heavy competitive pressure to lend money to grow profits, often at low margins, as international banks truggled for market share. The fear of being left behind or losing big customers left banks wide open to the elegant persuader and the demanding hig borrower. That was a big element in their gullibility in the face of Maxwell.

The recession dried up lending opportunities, loan losses sapped lending power and central banks raised capital requirements, giving banks the perfect excuse to get some of their big corporate borrowers off their back: the cupboard is empty. The pressures on fund

managers can be as strong as on bankers. Their immediate customers are trustees of penof investment companies. who want to know why they monthly league tables.

Ironically, the pension fund trustees who demand better performance from their fund managers are often the same who, as company directors, complain that their institutional investors take too much of a short-term view of their

company's prospects. Sir John Harvey-Jones, TV management pundit and formerly of ICI, says: "There is endless argument between the City and industry that if we would just talk, all would be well. The reality is there is a conflict between pensions and shareholders, and between shareholders and managements. We have set up a man-made system because of the fiscal advantage we have given to pension funds. The penalties of failure are substantial. These are perceived as pressures to perform."

As Richard Branson and Andrew Lloyd-Webber have demonstrated, some self-made

There is a conflict between pensions and shareholders, and between

shareholders and managements'

to put up with the buffeting they can receive on the stock market. "When it came down to it. Andrew wanted all his toys back in his own attic," was how a merchant bank adviser to Lloyd-Webber described his decision to buy back the shares in his once-public Really Useful Company. Branson prefers to raise finance for his Virgin airline in Japan, or by selling other assets, saying: "We can concentrate on running the business, with no distractions."

Most ambitious businessmen need the stock market to elp finance expansion. Anita Roddick, Britain's most successful woman entrepreneur. avoid all but fleeting visits to the City since her Body Shop International was floated in 1984. She says: "When we were going public, I had to attend hundreds of meetings with guys in City suits using a lot of jargon I couldn't understand. Finance bored the pants off me: I fell asleep more times than not." Many wish they could shrug off the City so lightly.

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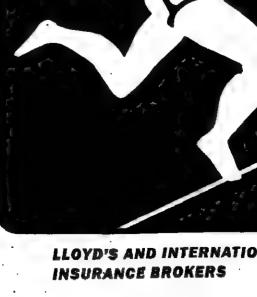
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Names find that hardship means a small flat and £10,000 a year

BY JONATHAN PRYNN

AN INCOME of £10,000 a year and accomodation in a £120,000 rented property may not sound like the bread-line. But for hundreds of once comfortably-off Lloyd's names it is an almost unimaginable reduction in means

These are the typical terms offered to names who apply to Dr Mary Archer's hardship committee. All the other significant assets and income of the name must be surrendered to Lloyd's to pay off losses. The property that the name is allowed to live in is effectively owned by Lloyd's and is sold on the death of the name if there are still outstanding liabilities. A flood of appli-

cations to the committee is expected after Easter following the decision by Mr Justice Saville in the High Court last week to uphold Lloyd's right to draw down on names' deposits to pay cash calls. The drawdown procedure is expected to begin this week. David Coleridge, the chairman of Lloyd's, said that the judgment confirmed the primacy of the "pay now, sue later" principle.

The judgment has brought near-despair to hundreds of names faced with losing their entire life's savings and investments. About a third of applications to the committee result in offers, which will usually require the name to sell their homes and move into more modest accommoda-

tion, which Lloyd's effectively owns. One name contacted yesterday expects to have to sell his £700,000 central London family home and move into a small flat on the outskirts of the capital. His losses are around £2 million.

Single and married names without dependent children are generally expected to live in flats or small houses with a typical value of about £120,000. Allowable living expenses are around £10,000 a year for a single name and up to £14,000 for a married couple. Names with small children are given more lee-way and can live in . larger family houses. Some names have said that they will not apply to the hardship committee, even though that means they

because spouses are also expected to reveal detailed information about their financial

The prospect of imminent drawdowns. on deposits has spawned an array of ingenious schemes to put assets out of the reach of Lloyd's. One is said to be planning to pay his Lloyd's losses from the sale of his half of the family house to his wife. Others are known to have squirrelled as much of their wealth as possible in off-shore finan-cial havens such as the Cayman Islands.

However, Lloyd's desperately needs the money to pay off heavy losses resulting from the wave of claims washing around

may be made bankrupt, because of the the market. It will use every legal power tough terms they would be offered and available to it to force names to pay up.

Some names may be affected sooner than others. Elborne Mitchell, the City law firm that advises Lloyd's members' agents who are responsible for carrying out the drawdowns, has written to its clients warming them to take a "cautious approach" to draw downs relating to losses incurred by Gooda Walker syndicates. An affidavit lodged with the courts in April raised serious questions about some transactions carried out by the underwriter of Gooda Walker syndicate 290. The Gooda Walker Action Group is expected to seek an injunction preventing drawdowns in the courts



Houses worth less than owner's mortgage

Thousands fall into homes valuation trap

By LINDSAY COOK, MONEY EDITOR

MORE than 380,000 homeowners have mortgages that are higher than the value of the property, according to statistics from the Council of Mortgage Lenders.

Falling house prices in the past three years mean that in the worst hit areas some people who put down a deposit of as much as £25,000 on a E100,000 property could now find that their liabilities ex-

The figures are likely to depress the housing market even further. The market is desperately looking for a boost over the holiday weekend; the traditional start of the housebuying season.

The borrowers are techni-cally insolvent because their debts are larger than their assets, but as their lenders will not call in their loans they will be able to continue to live in their homes as long as they can afford the mortgage pay-

Mark Boleat, director gen-eral of the Council of Mortgage Lenders, said that it was difficult to give precise figures but its research showed: "At the end of last year, 380,000 people had a mortgage big-ger than the value of their

nouse.
"If they can afford the mortgage, they are clearly not

insolvent. If they don't intend to move it is irrelevant. A fair number that have negative equity have arrears. We estimate that only 100,000 have negative equity because of house price falls, the rest are because of arrears. Only a small number of people paid the prices at the peak."

The Council of Mortgage Lenders represents the providers of 95 per cent of mortgages. Since the research was carried out, prices have fallen

clearing bank this week ventured that there were proba-



Bolèat: few paid full price

bly more people personally insolvent in Britain now than at any other time in its history. Those people caught in this housing trap cannot move because they will have no deposit for the next prop-erty and could be pursued for the shortfall between the price their home sold for and the mortgage outstanding.

If an indemnity policy is operating because they borrowed more than 75 per cent of the value of the property, the lender should not suffer the loss. The insurance com-A senior executive at a pany will pay the difference to the lender but are, in some cases, pursuing the borrower

for the money.

In addition, there are millions more people whose property value has fallen since they bought it, although they still have equity in the house, and large numbers of repossessed houses and flats

A large proportion of those who have bought since the beginning of 1988 have homes worth less than they paid for them and they find it psychologically hard to sell for a lower price.

Among them are many people who are over-extended and want to trade down. They cannot sell at too great a loss because it will push them further downmarket. Those wanting to move to a more expensive property are still reluctant to reduce their prices, even though they are buying more cheaply than

they expected. Valuations are also hampering the market. Many valuers use the previous two sales in an area to help them to arrive at a value for a

property being sold.
In the southeast, a great many of those previous sales are of repossessed properties and are depressing the values of houses being sold normal-ly. Low valuations prevent first-time buyers with small deposits from entering the

As property prices continue to fall, many are deterred from the market, for fear of losing their deposit. While they can get a real return on savings, there is no rush to

Most of those with mortgages larger than the value of their homes were first-time buyers. They accounted for a little more than half the house sales from 1989 to April this year. Since then, their share of the market has fallen.

full force of the blast. Most of its

windows were smashed and doors,

relephone cables and furniture were

The boardroom was left studded

with broken glass that the directors

damaged.



Training holds the key to reducing Shephard's flock

GILLIAN Shephard, the new employment secretary, is fac-ing urgent pressure to ad-dress the failure of the government's Employment Action programme for the long-term unemployed to at-

In spite of a massive rise in long-term unemployment. latest figures show that only

16,250 trainees have joined the programme. Officials at the Employ-ment department are unable

unemployment, which now has 2,7 million Britons in its fused to co-operate because trainces were not give the rate for the job.

The unions also said that the training content was

inadequate.

The government had budgeted £1!0 million during the financial year which ended this month for the programme, which only started in less October last year. in late October last year.

embrace, will remain at the top of the department's

Mrs Shephard, aged 52, a former schoolteacher, has al-ready impressed senior officials at the department with her capacity for hard work and her evident commitment.

But the government's determination to remove "barri-ers" which it believes restrict job creation will continue to bring the department into conflict with trade unions. The job of abolishing the

minimum pay rates for four million Britons, is likely to go to Michael Forsyth, the de-partment's first minister of Mr Forsyth, a former Scot-

tish Office minister and ar-dent Thatcherite, may cast himself in the role of Mr Nasty, leaving Mrs Shephard to play the role of the job-seeker's friend.

not over. On Wednesday, staff arrived

to find the square cordoned off, while

workmen cleared smashed glass from

the Standard Chartered building

above. The merchant bank decamped

Merchant banks planning £8bn of new issues

BY OUR BANKING CORRESPONDENT

INVESTORS are preparing for a an £8 billion flood of new issues this summer as merchant banks work on a series of huge flotations.

The Conservative's election victory and the buoyant stock market has given the green light to companies who are planning to raise new funds. The sales are likely to stretch the budgets of many institu-tions, already committed to paying instalments of almost £8 billion on privatisations such as British Telecom, National Power and PowerGen, and the regional electricity

distributors.

Merchant banks are said to be discussing the timing of the flourious with the Bank of England. Sellers are led by the Wellcome Trust, the charitable organisation planning to sell up to 48.6 per cent of the drugs company later this summer, in a float worth some £4.5 billion. Other flotation candidiates include 3i, the venture capital business. which plans to become the stock market's largest investment trust in a sale more than £1 billion.

dominated by GPA, the Irish aircraft leasing business. which hopes to raise up to \$3

billion. The float is likely to include \$750 million in new shares to help finance the group's ambitious expansion

The growing list of corporate collapses is also providing investors with new oppor-The summer should see the

New York flotation of Del Monte International, the fresh fruit subsidiary of Polly Peck, which should be worth up \$875 million. Meanwhile the administrators of British & Commonwealth, the collansed financial services group, are organising an insti-tutional placing of shares in

Exco, its money broking sub-Elsewhere, established

public companies are floating off divisions to strengthen their balance sheets. Racal is selling its Chubb security business in a float early this summer worth up to £500 million. MFI hopes to attract up to £750 million in a sale to eliminate debt and improve The international scene is the group's working capital.

Coopers to | Hanson to pay \$50m settlement

FROM PHILIP ROBINSON

IN NEW YORK
COOPERS & Lybrand has agreed to pay a record sum of up to \$50 million to settle legal action brought over its work for MiniScribe, the collapsed Colorado-based But the accounting firm still faces a dozen other law suits where damages claimed in just four cases total \$500

Three years ago, outside directors and new auditors of MiniScribe conducted an investigation. They reported that senior company officials broke into trunks containing auditor's paperwork for the year ending December 1986 and inflated stock values by \$1 million.

Building bricks were pack-aged to look like \$4.3 million of hard disk sales and sent to the distributors so they could be counted as stock in transit. In February, a Texas jury found against Coopers.

MiniScribe's investment bank Hambrecht & Quist, its founder William Hambrecht, and Mr Q T Wiles, a former chairman of MiniScribe, and awarded \$28.7 million in compensation and \$530 million punitive damages.

Coopers' portion of the fine
was set at \$200 million, but

the firm has settled for a payment of between \$45 mil-lion and \$50 million; estimated at a tenth of Coopers' \$500 million net worth.

rooms for the money market team.

British Telecom diverted two tele-

phone lines to the rooms and the

dealers began to trade their £150

When they were finally allowed

back into the bank in the afternoon

Throughout the week the oil paint-

Mr. Kent said: "This is the third

peril we have survived in ten years. We

have had a small fire and a flood. We won't have a famine so long as our

profits keep rising. I don't think there

are many disasters left, apart from

ing of WB Close, the founder of the

with its familiar sardonic smile.

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been out by only £200,000.

appoint new chief

Hanson, the acquisitive conglomerate, is expected shortly to appoint the group's first chief executive in Derek Bonham, currently finance director, in a move that will shift some of the burden for the day-to-day running of the business from Lord Hanson. the chairman.

The appointment would be the second significant board change this year. Last month. David Clarke was named deputy chairman and chief executive of Hanson Industries, the American arm.

Mr Bonham, widely credited for creating the system of financial controls and tax planning that has enhanced the group's performance, even during the recession, is not seen as a potential successor to Lord Hanson.

Vickers to sell R-R car firm

Sir David Plastow, retiring chairman of Vickers, will this week tell shareholders of plans to sell the Rolls-Royce motors business, but he is unlikely to have any firm progress to report at Thursday's annual meeting.

Rolls is expected eventually to find a new owner in one of the big motor manufacturers from overseas. Vickers still believes the hunny car business to be worth some £200 million. Serious offers, however, have proved to be some way short of this figure.

BR sell-off plans advance

The government has wasted no time since the election in progressing plans for the ending of British Rail's monopoly to run trains, and a detailed scheme for bringing in competition to the network is likely to be announced in the Queen's Speech on May 6.

This previous follow the pattern of previous state sell-offs and bring in a huge windfall for the City in the form of advisers' and

stockbrokers' fees.

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desperate as that of the young people we help Just Ask is a charity which provides counselling and help to young people in London who are unemployed, homeless and Increasingly in today's world we have to deal with their emotional and psychological, as well as practical problems. On Friday 10th our new headquarters in the City - generously provided for us rent-free by Legal & General - was badly damaged by the IRA. To reinstate our helplines and continue our vital work, we need your help now as never before. Please send a donation to: Just Ask, 46 Bishopsgate, Or call us on 071-628 3380 to make a credit card donation. Sat / Sun / Mon 10-2 alice Sat / Sun / Mon 10-3 plus usual working days 9-6. To: Just Ask. Please accept my donation of

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It is unlikely that all of the money has been spent. A further £170 million has to say whether the govern-ment pledge to provide 30,000 places by the end of been set aside to provide 60,000 places in the current year. However, the slow takeup may provide an opportunity for Mrs Shephard to redirect some of the cash into March was met. That is because of difficul-ty in collecting statistics from operating agencies among the 82 Training and Enterprise Councils (Tecs) in wages councils, which set programmes with a proven track record for getting the long-term unemployed back buy a first home that could fail in value. England and Wales, and 22 Local Enterprise Companies (Lecs), in Scotland. Mrs Shephard has already promised to review the range of measures available to offer Critics of Employment Acunemployed people "practi-cal and effective help in get-ting back to work." Tackling the problem of tion were unhappy that the scheme provided trainees with only E10 above their normal benefits. The TUC re-How one firm survived difficult days in the City Saturday evening, minutes after re-turning from a skiing trip. BY NEIL BENNETT prised out with knives. In spite of the Liverpool Street, and rented two damage, the staff stubbornly refused DANKING CORRESPONDENT By Sunday, Close had started a full CITY workers will return from the Rod Kent, the managing director, clear-up operation, with staff toiling Easter break to find part of the Square said: "Why should I be moved out of alongside contract cleaners and work-Mile resembling a building site, as my office by some Irish thug? Close men. Mr Kent said: "Once you get crews clear up the debris after the IRA never closes. going with a Hoover it is amazing bombing. Half the windows in the John Hudson, the financial controlhow you get things moving." The firm called in a third of its City may have been broken and more ler of the investment management they discovered their calculations had than 35 firms are looking for division, even continued working the employees on Monday to tell clients premises, but for one small merchant night of the blast. He was in the back about the damage, and returned to office completing management ac-counts when the bomb exploded but, full staffing by Tuesday, although many worked in darkness after the bank in the midst of the debris it was business (almost) as usual. merchant bank, looked down on staff Ten days ago, the offices of Close luckily, avoided being hurt. windows were boarded up. Brothers in Great St. Helens took the The power failed and the traffic Even then, the firm's problems were

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New kids on the beach

Bank holiday battles are not what they used to be. Paul Barker goes in search of some mythological mayhem

n the early summer of 1964, when Chief Superintendent John Albourn was aged 18, Mods and Rockers turned Brighton's pebbly seafront into a battleground. "I was down there with my stone," he remembers, with a snort of laughter. "I thoroughly enjoyed it. Along Madeira Drive, by the aquarium, the police would gue then me would gue "He would run, then we would run." He was, he says, neither Mod nor Rocker. But no teenager with anything about him wanted to be

Now John Albourn is the head of the Brighton police force. This bank holiday weekend, in the town where he was born and bred, it has been his job to keep an eye out for any return of seaside confrontation. "We're a cult country," he says.
"Something occurs, out of the blue. Then it goes in a cycle."

Those mid-1960s days of early youth culture, with their set-piece showdowns, are now a generation away. This makes them a candidate for instant nostalgia. In early May, Philip Ryan's play, In the Midnight Hour, comes to the Young Vic in London, after provincial successes. It is a hymn to Mod days: "the era of mohair suits and Lambretta scooters..../hen Wil-son Pickett and Otis Redding topped the hit parade."

The plot is simple. "A group of young Mods anticipates another weekend of dancing, fighting and loving. Kicking their Monday to Friday lives aside, they reach for their stardust dreams, empowered and enticed by the emotional, bittersweet music of Tamla

But is that really the way it was? And what has happened to bank holiday seaside towns since? Where

have all the Rockers gone? That summer of '64 I was, for a time, the world expert on Mods and Rockers. I too was on Brighton beach, as a reporter for New Society. The year's seaside battle honours were, successively, Clacton, Margate, Brighton, Hastings. organised a social survey of all the Mods and Rockers convicted by Margate magistrates. It was published in time for the August bank holiday. The Mirror reprinted it across its centre spread. As I went down, by train, to Hastings — that summer's last battleground — I saw teenagers reading it. They were checking how they ought to behave

when they got there. Hastings today is like a first world war battlefield in Flanders. A place for quiet retrospection. In St Leonard's (which is to Hastings as Hove is to Brighton), "the Wood-stock generation", in one local resident's words, settled in the Victorian terraces and created "a kind of bohemia". Some probably first clapped eyes on Hastings from the back of a Vespa. From the enemy Rocker camp, groups of bikers, also now in their forties, still come down to Hastings "to look at the historic battlefield and say,

'Didn't we have a good time?'". Both the Mods and the Rockers have acquired mortgages, and

running down to the seafront from the station. Four fruit-machine arcades cluster around a fish and chip shop. Bianco's cocktail lounge offers 007 Vodka ("shaken not stirred") and Orgasm ("Baileys and Cointreau on a bed of ice") for £3 a shot. First Leisure Corporation's Paradox Disco-Tec offers "the Essential Dance Statement". (It stands on the site of a house Samuel Johnson visited, to take the waters.) Here, too, is Brighton's largest night club. The Event, which can hold 1,800. For afterwards, fluorescent red and green posters on a nearby hotel propose an "\$18 Special per person an "£18 Special per person — sharing double or twin".

But the man filling a lucky dip with fluffy bears outside the Family Leisure arcade has more anxieties about locals than about invaders. Those who know their way around computer programmes can clear out a fruit machine with a single £1 coin. "I reckon it's quieter because of drugs," he says. "People aren't drinking so much. They're meant to be happy drugs. It turns them into happy people. Takes you back

the nostalgic bikers remember.

After a Brighton bank holiday Mr Albourn says, "Cars are found abandoned, stolen from all over the country. And Brighton cars are found abandoned elsewhere. Bank holiday means borrowing other people's cars." It also means hiring minivan or a minibus. Few now arrive by train.

scarcely see the seafront. At all resorts, shopping has become a bigger experience than the sea. ened the charm of the chilly shops open, up in the town," says a seafront rock-seller. Her livelihood is drifting away from her. "It's not be. They don't come down as far as

dreds of police every weekend on stand-by." Mr Albourn says. "There are warehouses and empty

being to be their own.

Brighton is less of a backwater. If there is trouble now, it is usually at the bottom end of West Street.

The past is, of course, a malleable place. This is not the battling 1960s

Acid House on the other side of the Channel Euro Dopey? Many who come to Brighton

Benidorm and Alicante have less-English Channel. "More and more really a bank holiday like it used to the prom."

The bank holiday cycle has swung through several turns since 1964, "in the 1970s", Mr Albourn recalls, "there were the Mod and Rocker revivals. And then we had skinheads setting fire to the Volks Railway a miniature railway at Black Rock. We lined them up, on the grass, without their boots. I don't think we could get away with it now." For a young sergeant, "these were quite tasty occasions".

A mobile unit on double pay was "a

pleasant way to pass the time". Acid House is another cult that is now dying. "We have had hun-

Soul survivors: Rockers used to call Mods efferminate but in the early 1960s they were one of the first stirrings of a youth culture in Britain factories around Brighton. One night we arrived at 10.30 at a party at an old clothing factory, where they'd got the key. We found Rottwellers and everything. But we got through." No one wants to pay £25-35 and get nothing for it. At a bank holiday, it is easier to find

For police at resorts, the biggest hazard is when local football derbys fall on a bank holiday. Brighton, unlike Hastings, is home to a major club. "They come down and bevvy up on the Friday, sleep on the beach, then run around through the shops. When it was Leeds v. Brighton in 1990." Mr Albourn says, "they ran us ragged all weekend. You remember the Bournemouth riots' that year? We had them a fortnight before."

Even without a local derby, you get fights between rival club supporters. Millwall slugs it out with Portsmouth. But the police still welcome all-day opening. On a hot day, drinkers would be turned out in the afternoon and sleep it off on the beach. On a cold or rainy day, they wandered round to restaurants and then refused to pay. Now most of them, most of the time, just

sit quietly in the pub.

At Hastings, John Albourn's opposite number is Superintendent lan McDonaid, who was a 14-yearold Midlands schoolboy that sum-mer of '64, "so I missed it all". Mr Albourn's openness shows one way in which the police have changed since those tighter-lipped days. McDonald shows another change.

He talks like a sociologist:
"There aren't the tribal elements now. Youth groups are much more heterogeneous. We have individual and small-group problems, not "Let's go to Hastings for a bundle". It's unplanned, spontaneous aggravation. There's not the gangi-ness, not the tribal nature. If you look at the pop scene, it isn't just: do you go for the Beatles or the Stones? Within each group there's a wide Variety of sub-groups."

And he is right. Brighton's "No. I

late nitebar", the Helsinki, describes its wares with clinical precision: "Garage, Trancy Dance but no Hardcore." There is a faint after-echo here of the Mod-Rocker divide. Hardcore folk (fans of Seal's "Killer" or Lords of Acid's "Take Control") have a reputation for being more interested in aggression than the music. Their latest fad is to wear toy robots around their necks. These serve the same nurpose as a club tie - except that, handily, you can tuck pills into the empty battery compartments.

tanding on Brighton seafront and looking back in time, I think those confrontations in 1964 marked the beginning of something; but, perhaps more importantly, the end of

something else. Yes, they were one of the first stirrings of a youth culture in Britain. This was especially true of the Mods. The Rockers derided them as "effeminate", but most of the succeeding fashions splintered off from Moddery.

More ominously, the seafront ostings were the first sign of formal showdowns between young people and the police. At the time, most newspapers reported on the (minimal) violence between Mods and Rockers. This still shapes recollection. But what struck me most, as I went up and down beaches, was the rinual nature of the supposed battle. Mods and Rockers were like flocks of pigeons, cluster-ing, flying up, dispersing. The main point was this: both of them were against the police.

This has had gruesome consequences since, not only where the rang people were mostly black (as in Brixton, Toxteth or Tottenham in the early 1980s), but also in the poll tax riots. John Albourn was among the police in Trafalgar Square in April 1990. "It was unbelievably violent. The level of violence in the Mod-Rocker days bore no comparison."

But, staring out to the rains of West Pier, half-collapsed in the sea, it is the sense of an ending that strikes me even more forcefully. The Rockers, in my 1964 social

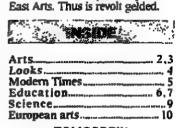
survey, were working-class heroes of a very recognisable kind. Their ambition was to grow up to be like their fathers. They typically had unskilled jobs. At least as many had journeyed by train to do battle as by bike. (The same applied to the Mods. Not every Mod could afford a scooter.) The flocking together at a set time, among people like yourself, was a continuation of the old Wakes Week and bank holiday outings which made the English seaside what it was. "I went to be in with the brethren," one of them said. "Good old weekend sort of

John Walton, the Lancaster University social historian, has chronicled such regular, predict-able invasions in his study of how the seaside resort evolved. Crowds always milled around. As wages rose, and younger people could afford to come on their own, towns such as Brighton and Bournemouth feared incursions by "the rougher unwashed element". Trinpers from "the more anonymous and often unskilled working-class environment of Liverpool and London", according to Walton, caused the worst troubles. Now, of course, they can stay at home to riot (or joyride), and be labelled the

"underclass", rather than the "unwashed" This era of British life was the heyday of what social historians have called "the structured crowd". It manifested itself in trades unions as well as in seaside outings. It gave rise to (among other things) the

Labour party. But those days are dead. There are too many individual choices for that sort of structure to work. Mod-Rocker invasions were one last gasp of an old solidarity. From the mid-1970s onwards, blue-collar workers ceased to be a majority of the workforce. If you have the funds to hire a minivan for bank boliday. you can go anywhere, not just

Today, most of the remnants of rebellion have been co-opted. Modern states show infinite guile. Why send in the police, when you can buy rebels off? In his cabinet appointments earlier this month, John Major judged it more impor-tant to have a "Ministry of Fun" than a Ministry of Energy. At The Event I see they are advertising "an uncontrollable night of Non-Stop R 'n' B/Blues/Gospel & Soul May-hem". This "mayhem" is supported. I note from the poster, by South-



TOMORROW David Plowright on TV's future

This is the head that was hunted in vain

multiple job offers

headhunter rang me the other week. There, I've said A other week. There, I've sauce it. You were going to turn the page, weren't you? Suspecting insufferable vainglory and some turgid account of how they offered me the Midland-and-Shanghai Bank chairmanship with 500 K and a dress allowance - well, pleaded really - and how I told them heck, no. I couldn't desert my

And who is to say that I did not have some such fleeting thoughts myself? After all. a fresh eye. a woman's touch, the earthy savoirfaire of an experienced mother might be just what they thought they needed at the helm of today's caring multinational. Or was Euro Disney in leadership trouble already? Or was Someone spreading the net a bit wider in the search for a palace press officer? Or a woman High Court judge, rocky on law perhaps but qualified to deliver snappy 800-word judgments complete with matching headline?

Well, they weren't. Frankly, the job was part-time, ill-defined, governmental and clearly likely to prove so tritating that they will be lucky to get Roland Rat. Nor did the time fit in, nor was the money great. Nor would I have been any good at it. So amicably we drifted apart, Mr Headhunter and I.

Oh, but I did enjoy those low, murmurous conversations, those assurances of discretion, that assignation in a discreet corner of the Savoy foyer. I challenge anyone not to. A cynical headhunter once told me that almost everybody (except a few disappointingly down-to-earth women of a certain age) visibly preens at the first approach. What they most want to know is "Who brought my name up?" It is like the moment when you get into that secretive institution, Who's Who. suddenly in mid-career and for no clear reason. You feel as if you had been singled out by grey, powerful, infinitely perceptive figures like those chaps in John Buchan novels who are always calling our hero into Sir Walter Bullivant's office and saying things like "We've watched you. Hannay, ever since the business at Rooivaterstrand, and you seem to have the kind of nerve we need for a tricky job". It's nice to be watched and approved of.

Ask any three-year-old.
It all came back to me during this week's rash of media speculation and articles by recruitment consultants about what use might be found for a slightly battered former leader of the Labour party. Lucky. lucky Mr Kinnodd He will be getting the discreet phone calls now, the Savoy meetings, the

WORKING LIFE **Libby Purves** on the secret pleasure of



unexpected suggestions. "We realise you may never have considered this sort of work but we think - and our client thinks - that you have the qualities we're looking for." And there he will be, off in a lovely daydream about becoming headmistress of Roedean, or governor of the Falklands with plumes in his hat, or taking over from Phillip Schofield in Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. Mr Schofield himself is a case in point: when the Really Useful Company rang him saying "Can you sing?" he says he thought it would be "some dodgy pantomime in Woking" and tried to put them off. When they made the Palladium offer, he thought it was a hoax then went into shock. A perfect head-

hunting scenario. Except, of course, that Phillip Schofield actually took the job, was a dever choice, and does it rather well. The thrills I am talking about are the kind which wear off when you begin to contemplate the actual job. Some of us are incurable fantasists who read the appointments pages and Mitty ourselves into every role which does not boringly require paper qualifications. I have spent many a happy minute briefly taking on the role of "Regional Arts Supervisorperson"

or Go-ahead trainee reporter. Darlington Herald* The words "Applications are invited for . . ." have me flying happily from cloud to cloud, mentally sharpening new pencils and laying them out on an imaginary clear new desk. That I arn not even sure what a head of supply does, or a compliance advisor, or a group financial direc-

tor, does not stop me dreaming. But the point of being headhunted is that it takes the

else is daydreaming on your behalf. If you are naturally diffident about your own abilities and lack singleminded ambition, it is marvellous to have an authoritative, experienced, suave headhunter come up to you and say "Barclays de Zoete Wedd has just the niche for you!". If you live in a ragged, unformed freelance way, unsure what you will do next time a particular employer gets sick of you, such bland selfassurance is a powerful drug. Condé Nast magazines once hypnotised me into editing the Tatler this way, sending down big BMWs to get me and the babybasket in the snow and expansively refusing to listen when I explained that I disliked Society. It took six months to tunnel out. History did try to repeat itself three years later but in the nick of time I stuffed my ears with cottonwool and tied myself to the mast, like Ulysses' sailors passing the sirens' rock. You have to, when you're just a girl who cain't say no. So I am slowly learning, And

there is even a perverse thrill in being invited, and refusing. Ask Edwina Currie about that

> TOMORROW Mid Life: Neil Lyndon



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Bardon is Hedwige. Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London WC2 (071-240 1066), 6pra BANK HOLIDAY FAMILY CONCERT: The National Symphony Orchestra under Markin Yates performs a concert of Rossini, Vaughan Wilhams, Greg. Armsky-Korsakoy, Eighr, Dukas, Sibelius and Tchailcovsky. Andrew Haigh is soloist in Gney's Piano Concerto. Barbicam, Sak Street, London EC2 (071-638 8891), 7,45pm.

CAUSON'S HOLIDAY FUND CENTENARY CONCERT: A prog CENT ENARY COMCERT: A programme of Elizabethan Song from the Elizabethan Singers of London, followed by music from the early Romantic period and modern instuments: by the English Performing Arts Ensemble under Graham Rea-Cox, Painst Dimitin Stark queeky plant (Popoly) (Austration Sladkowsky plays Chopin's Andante Spianato and Grande Polonaso Spianato and Grande Polonase Britante, Op22, and pieces by Mendelssohn and Rachmartinov. Queen Sizabath Hell, South Sank, London SE? (071-928 6800), 7 45pm.

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audiences in the auturun.
Empire Theatre, Lime Street, Levrpoo (S1-709 1555), tonight-Set, 7,30pm, mats Thurs, Set, 2,30pm

STARS FROM THE BOLSHOP BALLET: Bolshot balletina Natalya Bessmertriowa leads the company on an extensive 14-week, British tour from now until July week, British tour from now until July Linder the direction of Bolshia director Yurl Gingorowch, the group will perform two programmes, including the second acts of Swon Lake and Geselle prestinate with a selection of divertissements. The tour is designed to bring a taste of the Bolshor to venues too small for accommodate the full company.

DEACK UP THE HEARSE AND LET THESE SAFE THE FLOWERS: The art of the salesman, William Gammara's comedy points out the trids but symptifies deeper issue. Hampstand, Swiss Cottage Centre, Avenue Road, NW3 (071-722 9301). Morr-Set, Sprn, mat Set, Apm. 120 mms.

THE COTTON CLUB: An empres of the Harlern rightspot, high on energy, low on stary freshness. Aldwych, The Aldwych, WC2 (071-836 6404). Mon-Fri, 7 30pm, Sat, 8pm, mats Wed, 2,30pm, Sat, 4pm 150mpts.

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THOM A MACK TO A COME WITH and stylish version of Macbeth's climb to the top, set in the world of rock bands and packed with Stotes songs Boulevariet, Walfer's Court, off Peter Street, W1 (071-437 2661 after 2pm). Mon-Sat, 8.15pm, mats Fri, Sat, 6pm GOOD ROOKIN' TONITE: Satisfying

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doubt the obvious senous/popular royal enhibition for this venue, of the Queen's jewels, will be reserved for the golden jubilee. Victoria and Albert Museum, Cromwell Road, London SW7 (071-938 8361). Mon-Sat, 10am-5.30pm, Sun, midday-5.30pm, until Sept 13.

REDISCOVERING POMPELE In 79AD Pomper was caught like a fly in amber, but that does not mean that rothing changes now Since the last Pompel enhibition in London, excuration has continued, techniques have been revolutionised, and all kinds of new formatics have been made. This make

revolutionesed, and as knot or new docoveries have been made. This new show not only contains many of the major works of an found on site, but gives the world an absorbing programs report on the future of the past. No wonder it broke all attendence records on one of its previous tour stops, in Houston, Torse.

Houston, Texas. Accademia Italiana, 24 Rutland Gaze, London SW7 (071-225 3474). Daily, 10am-6pm (Wed to 8pm), until June

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THE VIRTUOSO: Restoration comedy of laid behaviour in the home of a bumbing savant by Shadwell, directed with verve by Phylliad Lloyd.
The Pit, Barbican Centre, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891), Tonight-Sat, 7,30pm, mat Sat, 2pm.

TODAY'S EVENTS

A dally guide to arts

and entertainment compiled by Kari Knight

SCOTTISH BALLET: This season the

company is presenting the premiere of Peter Wright's fine production, the first time the Glasgow company has ever performed Coppelia.

Mew Theatre, Kingston Square, Hull (D482 226655), tunight-Sat, 7.15pm.

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coverage through on 88C2 (from
5,55pm) and Radio 1.
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Middlesex (081-900 1234), doors open
4pm, performance, 6pm.

BERNARD SHAW 1856-1950: One of the National Portrast Gallery's generous biographical exhibitions (this time linked with the publication of Michael

inter went ore promision or microsis thorough much-pressed biography), this does not have as its main thrust the showing of air per se. On the other hand, few figures of the 20th century apart from dictators have been so obsessively dejected in painting.

obsessively depicted in painting, sculpture and photography, and Shaw himself words on the subject of contemporary art. As well as the Queen Mother's Augustus John portrait and the Rodin bronze from RADA, the show includes a lot of documentary material, which naturally embraces set and costume designs as well as portrayals of leading theatrical ligumes who worked with him.

THEATRE GUIDE

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Haig fatally rempted by Claire Sidmer in Freud's Visiona. Young Vic, The Cut, SE1 (071-520 0411928 6363), Mon-Sat, 7,15pm, mats Thurs, Sat, 2pm, 210mms, Final

MOBY DICK: A girls' school puts on a fund-raising show. Tony Monopoly plays a headmistress playing Captain Ahab. Beached musical Piccadilly, Derivian Street, W1 (071-867 1118), Mon-Sat, 8pm, mass Tues, Sat, 4pm, 135mms.

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21 THE RECEMPTING CHPACES.
Nicholas Hyrner's good-natured production, rather too good to be true to the play's darker content.
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Essentially in the right spirit

IS THAT big bent structure at the back of the stage a Patriot missile launcher, ready to intercept any Scuds aimed at Scotland by that rogue nation, Norway? Since this Macbeth is directed by Michael Bogdanov, and performed by the English Shakespeare Company, that seems a fair assumption. Certainly, the flashes, crackles and booms coming from the wings have not been produced by the clashing broadswords that weirdly materialise in Act V.

The tattered witches scavenging in the debris of the battlefield seem familiar, too. They would not look out of place among the bagwomen in Edinburgh's Grassmarket in the wintry 1990s. It is hard to understand how hags able to afford such delicacies as nose of Turk and Tartar's lips should be reduced to poking into plastic bags for rotting cabbage leaves to eat; but this is an ESC production, so they are. Only the literal-minded will fret about such tiny anachronisms. But it is reasonable to ask what the company's

now-mandatory updating adds to the play. The answer is little, if anything. The company is not really interested in following its Falklands Henry V with some Gulf war Macbeth. Despite the whirling helicopter blades, khaki uniforms and other modern minutiae, this is at root a pretty orthodox reading, no more or less topical than one set in 1100, 1600 or 3000 AD.

There is nothing wrong with that, of course. In fact, there is much right with it, especially when Michael Pennington's usurper is in one of his dark, angry moods. He makes no very exceptional impression in the play's first half. He is bluff, genial, imaginative enough to see that the thrill of royalty may be out-balanced by its dangers, and sufficiently sensitive to New, Cardiff

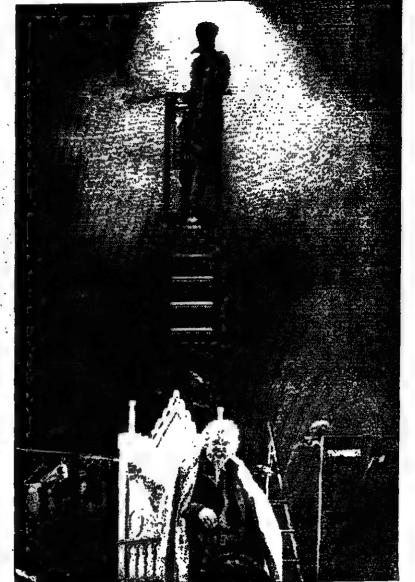
feel the horror of murder. In other words, he is a good conventional Macbeth in the tradition of Garrick, who emphasised what was decent and sympathetic in the character.

.Yet there are already suggestive touches. Isn't Derek Smith's Duncan a bit warier of Pennington's Macbeth than of Colin Farrell's bland Banquo. and isn't Macbeth himself more III at ease with his comrade-in-arms than his hearty manner implies? Such hints find some justification in the text, and help explain the bitterness and rancour that both motivate and destroy Pennington's protagonist.

Rarely have I seen a Macbeth more obviously seething with jealousy as he orders Banquo's killing. Rarely have I seen one so devastated by his own vindictiveness as Pennington, by the end a wild, white-haired troll whose speech is one exhausted speech

This is a performance that grows in power as the play proceeds, unlike Jenny Quayle's Lady Macbeth. She begins as a brisk, competent PA determined to get her man the job of company chairman, and fails to deep-en with time, let alone motivate her decline into what seems less mad despair, more the kind of work-related stress fixable by a couple of weeks in the Canaries. The supporting actors, Michael Mueller's menacing Malcolm apart, are not strong. Nevertheless, the evening does have its moments.

I don't see why the witches' cauldron should become one of those giant vats in which borough councils reprocess their rubbish, or why they themselves



Growing in power: Michael Pennington in the title role of Macheth

clamber in, as if ingredients in their kind of striking image for which the own recipe. In the steam and white light they are suddenly transformed into punk fauns with huge, depraved grins; and Pennington is among them, drowning in their poison. That is the

ESC is known. Perhaps more will evolve as the production continues its tour through Britain.

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE

THEATRE

Muddle fails to set record straight

IN FOURTEEN hundred and ninety two Columbus crossed the ocean blue. And in nineteen hundred and ninety two the entrepreneurs know what to do. They are commemorating the crossing in every way they can, and with overdue emphasis given to its disastrous effect upon the native inhabitants, exterminated like bugs.

Lope de Vega's Discovery of the New World, written about a century after the event it describes, would seem an appropriate play to mount were it not. on the evidence of Adrian Mitchell's adaptation, insupportably undramatic. A critic unnamed in the programme calls it "chaotic", which truly hits the button, but the trouble goes deeper than this. First, there is what are presumably Lope's own errors: his Columbus believes there is a New ond out there, stutted with gold and Indians, whereas the historical Columbus, searching for a route to the known Indies, knew nothing about an intervening continent. So we cannot trust

A New World & The Tears of the Indians Nuffield, Southampton

let alone that of his Indian chiefs racked by problems of honour identical to those that obsess grandees in Seville. Second, in appreciating that Lope ignored the Spanish greed and cruelty. Mitchell frames the play within excerpts from the denunciation by Bartholome De Las Casas in his report known as The Tears of the Indians. Clearly, however, the tone of this work permeates the treatment Mitchell gives to the Lope, so that we have not the slightest idea what response to make to the hypocrisy and viciousness of the characters. The chaotic plot of the original, dawdling along byways, loses whatever moral cohesion it possessed, albeit an offensive one.

Patrick Sandford's heavy-handed Lope's view of his Spanish characters, production is dominated by a huge

metal circle tilted above the revolve and presumably representing the meridian crossed by Columbus's sailors. They meet an exotic people wearing spiky collars and straw in their hair, singing joyfully to the sun god like the chorus of that unwritten Hammerstein musical, South Atlantic.

Except when the Indians try to guess the function of an enormous crucifix, and a messenger describes houses (i.e. ships) walking on the sea, the dialogue is unrevealing. When playing Span-iards the actors sound as though they do not have their hearts in the job, and Hugh Quarshie makes nothing of the thankless role of Columbus. He paces the stage and ends by smiling an evil smile, but this is hardly enough.

If only Mitchell had taken a hint from Our Country's Good and imagined a company of native Americans acting the Lope before a Spanish viceroy: the result might have been something special instead of this muddle.

JEREMY KINGSTON

OPERA

Emphasis on the ugly American

TO REVIVE an eight-year-old production of an operatic warhorse can be a thankless task. But in Francesca Joseph's revival of Graham Vick's Madam Butterfly, with Andrew Greenwood in the pit, the dramatic and musical contours of a telling production are sharpened to create as shattering an experience in this opera as I can remember.

Vick's original English National Opera production highlighted the cultural and sexual imperialism that lie at the root of the work - accentuated by the use of Puccini's original version. Less attention is drawn to Butterfly as a pitiable victim than to Pinkerton as a brutish adventurer. He is callous, but also following a pattern of sexual mores, sanctioned by his national and social status, that he passes on to his

Madam Butterfly Coliseum

son, with his officer's cap, at the end. Francesca Joseph twists the knife by ensuring that we loath Pinkerton as he brags to Sharpless of his "real" future wife back home. He allows Butterfly's maid Suzuki to see a portrait, thus drawing her, Sharpless and the audience together, forewarned, but incapa-ble of preventing the tragedy.

All the principals have sung in one or other of the previous outings of the production. David Rendall's unfocused facial and bodily gestures sug-gest generalised insouciance rather than callousness as Pinkerton, but his voice rings out as freely as ever. Susan

Bullock better conveys the trajectory of her gradual distillusionment in a fine dramatic portrayal, holding her body rigid in tense anticipation. The lyrical quality of her voice is under-exploited, but the intensity with which she expresses her sense of loss is searing.

Della Jones's Suzuki is a powerful dramatic presence even when, as in Act I, she is something of a cipher. Norman Bailey's Sharpless is as sympathetic as ever, while Terry Jenkins is a property obnoxious Goro.

The other major virtue of this revival

is the conducting of Andrew Green-wood, which projects the passion and heartache of the drama with unerring assurance. Musically and dramatically, this Butterfly is stronger than ever.

BARRY MILLINGTON

CONCERT

Hardly adequate

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IN RUSSIA, the spring is very violent. Stravinsky wrote more wisely than he knew when commenting on Le sacre du printemps. Composer Piers Hellawell heard the ironic truth of Stravinsky's words echoing from the combat in Eastern Europe and has been inspired to write a piece of his own.

In summoning up the ghosts of Azerbaijan, Georgia and Romania in his Quadruple Elegy (in the time of freedom) for violin and orchestra. Hellawell has tiptoed across ground which even angels would fear to tread. Skill and strength of re-creative image nation is needed to draw from the listener a response of pity and fear commensurate with this subject. Ougdruple Elegy displays too little of either.

The form is variations and theme. for Hellawell worked backwards from the final elegy ("Jan Pavlac and the Flaming Skier"), and its five blues chords. Putting the verbal programme aside, it is a barren theme musically, inspiring too little variation.

"Baku", "Tbilisi" and "Timisoara" move from the wry song with chamberstyle accompaniment, through a dislocated unison dance to a cumulative lyric preparation for the finale. The gradual shift from the dynamic to the lyrical is veiled in solo violin writing painfully weak in ideas, and pallid orchestral accompaniment which does little more than mark time.

Hellawell seems to have felt overawed by his task. The soloist, Made-leine Mitchell, at whose invitation the work was written, worked hard to brighten its matt surfaces. Christopher Zimmerman conducted the City of London Chamber Orchestra in a programme distinguished only by Philip Langridge's eloquent performance of Britten's Serenade for Tenor. Horn and Strings.

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Mugwumps on the menu in Morocco

CINEMA PREVIEW

William Burroughs's explicit novel The Naked Lunch was thought unfilmable, but David Cronenberg has brought it to the screen. Oscar Moore reports

escribed by an American judge as a "revolt-ing miasma of unrelieved perversion", William Burroughs's The Naked Lunch was both reviled as pornog-raphy and acclaimed as great literature at the time of its publica-tion in 1959. Blacklisted by British Customs and the US Mails, its publication whipped up a storm of debate in venues as varied as the Edinburgh Festival, the Massachusetts Supreme Court and the pages of the Times Literary Supplement.

The book offers fractured snapshots of life in the Interzone, a mythical metropolis peopled with the secret agents of drug cartels peddling rare hallucinogens to a shifting population of hustlers, writers and addicts. It is an extended and disturbed metaphor for control systems, whose malign intelligence Burroughs never identifies, but whose operatives wander the back alleys of his fictionalised Tangier like deranged versions of Western frontiersmen.

Propelled into the spotlight by a literary wrangle that ranged Norman Mailer and Mary McCarthy behind Burroughs, The Naked Lunch became a literary lodestone of the early Sixties, a frontline in the clash between the establishment and its critics...

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But unlike many of its more modish contemporaries, The Na-ked Lunch has survived both fashionable plaudits and official outrage. Indeed, according to David Cronenberg, the Canadian director of such cinematic shockers as Scanners, Shivers and The Fly. and whose film of Naked Lunch opens in London on Friday, the book has majured as it has aged.

Cronenberg, who has compared the novel to The Bible and the I Ching, describes it as "a work of consolation. Of course it was not originally seen that way. It was seen as revolutionary and shocking. But the book was never shocking in a four-letter-word or scatological way. If it had been it would have lost that effect with time.

"But as time goes by those initial shocks become touchstones for our sensibility and our time. The more distant we become from the late Fifties, the more prophetic the book

one spoke with unsentimental

respect of the "stubborn gal-

lantry" of the old men and

women who had spent the

play coping with their own

flagging energies, each other's

irritating behaviour, and

phone calls from an anony-

mous Angel of Death. Seldom

can so many venerable thespi-

ans have been crammed onto

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dom can they have given such

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shall I go on? very well, Cyril

Cusack, Renee Asherson, Rob-

ert Flemyng, Stephanie Cole,

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Wood, to represent those still a

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Michael Hordern, Thora

seems, and for those who have some relationship with the Burroughs universe, there are different layers to be discovered each time you go back to the book."

Cronenberg had long cherished the notion of making a film based around The Naked Lunch. The painter Brion Gysin, who had been Burroughs's lover when the writer was living in Tangier, had storyboarded a literal attempt but

cronenberg was not attracted to the idea of a straight adaptation.

"The book is really quite an epic," says Cronenberg. "If it were to be made into a film it would be the mother of all epics. It would cost \$400-\$500 million to make and anyuld be benned in come country. would be banned in every country because no culture could withstand it." Instead, Cronenberg wanted to make his own Naked Lunch, germinated by Burroughs's book but grown inside the director's own imagination.

The first practical seed of this week's film was sewn almost ten years ago when Cronenberg met producer Jeremy Thomas at the 1983 Toronto Film Festival. Thomas says he "had read Naked Lunch somewhere back then, and never thought about it again except that I found it difficult and disturbing and strong." But when Cronenberg mentioned his desire to make a film of the book, "it suddenly flashed into my head that The Naked Lunch, Burroughs and Cronenberg was an ideal cocktail for something fascinating, stimu-lating and possibly popular."

Thomas, who promptly bought an option on the title which he continued to renew over the ensuing years, patiently waited for Cronenberg to write a script and vindicate his hunch.

"In 1985, I went to Tangier with Burroughs and Cronenberg on a kind of atmospheric pilgrimage, to see the place where (and about which) the book was written, to try and stimulate Cronenberg into writing the screenplay," explains Thomas. The travellers, who included Thomas's associate Hercule Belleville, dined with Bur-roughs's old Tangier associate Paul Bowles (whose Sheltering Sky Thomas was later to film with Bertolucci), and conducted a kind of



Trio in Tangier: Director David Cronenberg (left), a Mugwump and actor Peter Weller on the set of Cronenberg's film of William Burroughs's The Naked Lunch

informal location recce, but the script remained trapped inside Cronenberg's head.

Burroughs himself had no interest in scripting the film, although he was enthusiastic about the project and has since given the film his blessing, "Burroughs saw the problems in his book, and saw that the only way to film it was to read and absorb it and then burn it." says Belleville.

At a press conference held by Cronenberg and Burroughs in Toronto, the writer publicly en-dorsed the film declaring that "I wouldn't, couldn't expect to see more than a tiny fraction [of the bookl on film.

Cronenberg finally started writ-

ing the script on a transatlantic flight. Travelling to England in order to appear as an actor in Clive Barker's film Nightbreed, he opened his new laptop computer and "to my surprise [the script] was just there waiting for me. It just flowed out onto the page."

homas read the script and "saw a film that could be made that was true to Burroughs's work and also contained many of the things that I liked about Cronenberg's

"So I was pretty happy. And then the awful task of trying to raise the money started: trying to persuade people that Naked Lunch could make a movie, because there were years and years of censorship towards the book, that had therefore built up subconsciously to-

Cronenberg and Thomas had planned to shoot in Tangier, but the outbreak of the Gulf war put an end to any plans to film in North Africa and the production relocated to a Toronto studio. It was a necessity that transformed into a virtue for both producer and

For Thomas, the fact that the oduction would now shoot entirely in Canada (and for about \$1 million less), suddenly made possible the film's registration as an Anglo-Canadian co-production, bringing with it access to govern-ment and state funding by way of Telefilm Canada and the Ontario Film Development Corporation. For Cronenberg the studio shoot

lent new creative opportunities. "It helped to create that claustrophobic, interior feeling, and that hallucinatory quality: the fact that out of the same window you can see, at one time Tangier and at another New York." A complex but smooth shoot ensued, with Peter Weller as Burroughs's alter ego Bill Lee and Judy Davis in a dual role as his wife and later lover, each interacting with multiple models of typewriters transforming into cockroaches and man-sized mugwumps dripping

Davis herself was initially taken aback by the project, and on first receiving the script remembers "throwing it some way across the room. There may even have been a touch of outrage that this guy — David Cronenberg — would even think of me for this film."

For his part. Thomas is delighted with the film's critical reaction and pleased with its reception at a Berlin Film Festival press conference earlier this year, despite one journalist's suggestion that the film was not very original.

A smiling Cronenberg was stung to comment in reply: "I want you to admit that you have not, in any other film, seen a typewriter that talks through its ass."

Towards the end of Me-TELEVISION REVIEW mento Mori, shown on BBC 2 last night, some

Triumph of the old-timers

show the future how sound and solid the foundations of our theatre were in the 1990s. I think I might choose Jack Clayton's production.

The finest actors cannot of course be excellent in a vacuum, nor were they here. Alan Kelley, Jeannie Sims and Clayton himself had combined to adapt Muriel Spark's original novel with consideramore sensitivity to both detail and meaning than is usually associated with threeperson working parties. The little irony of patients sharing their horoscopes in the geriat-ric ward ("Virgo — a brisk day for business entertaining") was still there and still reverberating. So was the idea that old and young alike should

neither forget death nor let it dampen their instinct for life. The main plot involved Godfrey Colston and his wife

Charmian, a novelist apparently succumbing to senility after the loss of her companion, Taylor. Their tensions were exploited by Taylor's replacement, a considerate, seeming predator prepared to lie, steal, blackmail and coolly undermine what little self belief her employer had left. Maggie Smith played the part, filling her take-genteel vowels with frosty menace; and Hordern's tetchy, self-satisfied Godfrey, who had understandably terrified. But the play had no less punch when the supporting

sexual secrets to hide, was

screen. These included Cvril Cusack, a superannuated poet still feuding with Maurice Denham for having described him as a "quite competent versifier", and Stephanie Cole, who was ending a lifetime spent organising other people by stuffing her will with punitive codas.

There was a hilarious postcremation party ("I want to kiss the ashes if they're cool enough") and sad visits to the NHS ward ("How are our bowels today, Granny Barnade?") in which Thora Hird's shrewd, unselfpitying Taylor had been left. No trace of mawkishness, condescension or anti-ageist correctness spoiled the picture.

thanks to Taylor's native wis dom and the intervention of a retired policeman genially played by John Wood, but that hardly mattered, given what had already been suggested about the approach of the Grim Reaper. Some reacted to the phone caller's intimations of mortality with fear, some with annoyance and Renee Asherson's gentle Charmian with polite gratitude. The play ended on what

some may have thought too upbeat a note, with her senility seemingly cured by the world's rediscovery of her books and a reunion with her old companion. If only Alzheimer's was just a matter of sickly confidence! But by that time I was happy to believe anything. I cannot remember enjoying a television play so much.

> BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE

Perhaps the Colstons' prob-lems were too easily solved. Sparkling ARTS BRIEF Jonathan Harvey and David

intoxicating effluent.

ENGLISH National Opera is to cut seat orices next season. Top stalls during the week are to go down from £43 to £39.50 and new discount schemes are to be introduced, but the lowest price of £4 is to be increased to £6.

Next season will include Jonathan Miller's Mafia-style Rigoletto, a new work by

Rudkin, Inquest of Love, and Ken Russell's ENO debut directing Gilbert and Sul-livan's Princess Ida. This will be Russell's second attempt to produce for the Coliseum stage. A planned Tannhäuser in 1989 was cancelled after a

Last chance . . . THIRTY-SIX years have passed since Levi Stubbs, Obie

cut in the Arts Council's grant.

and Lawrence Payton first In the Sixties they became a pillar of the Tamla-Motown empire thanks to a string o hits including "Reach Out I'll Be There", "Standing In the Shadows of Love", "Bernadette" and "Walk Away Renee". Their British tour ends with dates at Plymouth Pavilion (0752 229922) tonight BIC, Bournemouth (0202 297297) tomorrow Colston Hall, Bristol (0272 262957) on Wednesday.

Benson, Abdul "Duke" Fakir

How could we forget Gertie, the Gaiety girl?

he was, Noel Coward wrote. "the essence of enchantment in the the-W. Macqueen-Pope. British theatre's most effusive nistorian, described her dancng as "a will-o'-the-wisp twin-Jing in the twilight", while ter bubbly disposition inpired him to pronounce her a complete, living smile". She ang in a pert, breathless voice, nd her nimble feet, so the umours went, were the smallst in London. Her name was iertie Millar, and she enunced Edwardian theatregors in a series of musical omedies largely presented at

te Gaiety Theatre. When she died, 40 years 40 this week, aged 73, she ad already been retired for fore than 30 years, most of em spent in comfort as enrude, Countess of Dudley wife, and then widow, of the nd Earl of Dudley. The eatre she adorned, at the omer of Aldwych and the rand, had closed in 1938 ad become derelict; the site av houses the London headearters of Citicorp Internanal Bank Gertie Millar suld seem to belong to a nished world, beyond recall. There are no film appearces: when Gaumont's camis in 1909 shot a few scenes m one of her best shows. ir Miss Gibbs, the star nelf was mysteriously ab-11. Yet all is not lost. A small mber of recordings survive uncient 78rpm records and Geoff Brown looks

back at the sunny

appeal of Miss Gertie Millar, star of many Edwardian musical comedies

one out-of-print LP. The voice lacks the astonishing range and technique of musical comedy contemporaries such as Florence Smithson or Evie A mill-worker's Greene. daughter from Bradford, she has a voice wonderfully alive with mischief, and however silly the words, she makes them live.

She shines brightest in songs by Lionel Monckton. who spotted her talent in the provinces, and brought her to the attention of producer George Edwardes, the Gaiety's lord and master. Her first London show was The Toreador (1901). She sang "Keep Off the Grass", wagging a finger and stealing all hearts, Monckoon's included: by the time of her next show, they

were married. Our Miss Gibbs, in 1909. provided her best-remem-bered number, "Moonstruck". "I'm such a silly when the moon comes out," she bur-"Skipping. hopping, never stopping..." On never never stopping... stage Gertie pranced in a



Smiling across the years: Gertie Millar in typical pose

Pierrot costume, a large bow at her neck, and a pom-pom cap; in the recording, you can still hear the prance in her voice. She survives as well as an exquisitely pretty face on thoupostcards, tinted sands of sometimes in crazy colours. produced during the Edwardian postcard craze; she retired, coincidentally, just as an increase in stamp rates in 1918 (from a half-penny to a penny)

hastened the fashion's end. She appeared in costume in scenes from her shows: as the Hon. Violet Anstruther (her first major role), a horticultural college pupil in The Orchid (1903); as Mary Gibbs. shopgul at "Garrod's" in Our Miss Gibbs, as Prudence. heroine of The Quaker Girl

(1910), cast aside by the elders for drinking champagne and whisked off to Paris to model fashions. Through these scat-

years on. She also opens the door on a largely forgotten, but delightera of British musical theatre. When Gertie made her London debut in 1901, shows such as Florodora, A Chinese Honeymoon and The Geisha had firmly established a new tradition of musical comedy, blending aspects of burlesque, variety, Gilbert and Sullivan's comic operas and a

tered mementoes, Gertie

Millar can still bewitch, 80

touch of music-hall swagger. When she retired, in 1918, new tastes for American ragtime and pep had aiready

brought another gear change In between, though, came a succession of frivolous, escapist featured prominently in the titles — that well deserve exhumation. Monckton, Sidney Jones, Howard Talbot and Paul Rubens regularly provided the music; Owen Hall, Percy Greenbank and Adrian Ross the librettos.

I he best of the music still casts a spell. Lionel Monckton, Millar's first husband, epitomised the period style. You can hear foreshadowings of early Jerome Kern, who absorbed the Edwardian musicals at first hand and provided several interpolated numbers. Yet there remains a distinctive English lilt, a neatness and to Monckton's

Fully-fledged stage revivals might well be hindered by the flimsy books, constructed to showcase the personalities of the day. Many offer nothing stronger than a shopgirl courted by the aristocracy in dis-guise; while today's ethnic sensibilities could be bruised

Yet Edwardian musicals served our amateur societies well enough in the past, and the return of some of the strongest pieces - The Arcadians, say, or The Quaker Girl - would be a welcome change for societies presenting their umpteenth Oklahoma!

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The fact that women, by far the greater victims of prejudice against the well fleshed, have only just got around to taking a symbolic axe to their bathroom scales shows how long it takes, once the text has been written, for the believers to move

into the evangelical phase.

The gospel was Susie Orbach's Fat Is A Feminist Issue. Published in 1978, it argued, as Naomi Wolf reiterated last year in The Beauty Myth, that it is only the particular society we live in which stipulates an ideal appearance for women which most can never attain and which, as they try and fail to attain it, makes them insecure, self-hating and pretty damn miserable.

Prejudice against large women has had some very serious conse-quences, not least in the ritual humiliation of the fitting room. One American designer is renowned for declaring that if a woman didn't have enough selfrespect to starve herself into a size 12 he, for one, didn't want the out-

of-control slob wearing his clothes. In Britain, too, it is mostly taken for granted that anyone measuring more than 40in round the hips would prefer to fade into the wallpaper in something decently voluminous, shapeless and wallpaper-coloured. The rest of us, who are only just the majority (47 per cent of British women are size 16 or



Sharp: an outfit by Evans

The hot news from America over), should learn to accept and admire wide variations on the

Increasingly vociferous pressure groups have had some effect. Evans, the fashion chain which stocks only women's clothes of size 18 and above and which has nearly 300 stores throughout the country, has accepted that a large percentage of large women are young and want to wear jeans, leggings and giamorous, plunging tops. (Cotton shorts, below left, cost £15.99, a cable cotton sweater £17.99.) Imports such as the Italian Marina Rinaldi, an offshoot of the MaxMara empire, have further raised expectations.

Yet it is America, land of endless fad-diets, outpatient nip and tuck, social X-rays and serobics addicts, where big women can be well dressed, and without having to endure the ill-concealed contempt of undernourished sales assistants.

f the leading American companies who take physical variety in their commercial stride, two are now in business here. Leslie Fay produces a range of collections of varying degrees of formality from high glamour (Nolan Miller) and up-market elegance (Albert Nippon and Joan Leslie), through working girl sharp (Kasper) and fashion vanguard (Breckenridge), to smart knits (Outlander). It encompasses all sizes in all its ranges.

"But they don't hang on the same rail," says Laura Pomerantz, the senior vice-president of Leslie Fay. The label is the same but in Harrods, as in most stores, large sizes or petite ones are in a different department with sales assistants specially trained to understand the needs of their market. That makes it easier for the customer.

"We started allowing for wide variations in sizing as far back as 1947 when Leslie Fay was making iresses for the women's corps of the services and found that many women were not standard 10-14. All that experience has taught us that you cannot simply scale a design up or down, you have to do special designs, but keeping them in the same label means they are designed in the same spirit and

generally cost more than "regular" sizes, but price is particularly im-portant at Leslie Fay. Ms Pomerantz is dismissive of foreign companies that claim it is impossible to offer a high-quality suit for much less than E1,000 in Britain. "Certainly", she says, "we are an enormous company and we have economies of scale but, apart from Nolan Miller, which is mostly



Larger than life. Oprah Winfrey, left, has been fat and thin and always striking

make, our prices are extremely competitive because keeping prices down is a priority." A simple Leslie iacket costs £132, a navy and white summer dress, £170.

The other company which has just established a toehold in London with its own New Bond Street shop is the hugely successful St John label in which the German company. Escada, now has a majority holding. St John is the great American designer knit without which no self-respecting woman would leave home. Its

success is based on the Santana knitted dress, \$400 for a jersey yarn, 80 per cent wool, 20 per cent trouser suit but the clothes are built rayon, which Marie Grey, the 1965 lying around unregarded at a spinning mill. In terms of touch, strength and recoverability (from stretch, sag and crease), it was perfect for her purposes.

St John specialises in separates and suits of classic simplicity and impeccable finish. It includes sporty casual wear, outfits suitable for office or special occasions and glamorous grown-up evening wear. It's expensive (£250 for

which makes for comfort, and jackets are structured at the shoulder-line but skim down the torso, giving a rounded figure a sharper. more flattering definition.

In a more discerning and careful market place, it is not only the "differently sized" who would be advised to takes a look at the transatlantic newcomers.

Brenda Polan



Big stars: actresses Roseanne Barr, left, and Kathy Bates

ally Smith is so fat she cannot travel by air unless she buys two seats on the plane. But

frequent flying miles. This is just one of a long list of grievances Ms Smith, who wears dress size 32, cites as evidence that the much of the world remains

even when she does, no airline in

America will grant her double

urfair to the "super-large".

"It's a form of discrimination that most people are not aware of," she says. "We call it Siz-ism." As the head of the National

Association to Advance Fat Acceptance (Naafa), based in Sacramen-to, California, Ms Smith, aged 33. is in the vanguard of an nationwide effort to change Americans' perception of obesity. Her group now boasts 3,500 mem
sum down."

Much of the research into obesity, which is still not understood, is funded by the

bers in 60 local 'Our world is chapters and issues publicity with such, slogans as: "It's for smaller time to do something about your weight accept it." people, for average size Although she no longer weighs her-self. Ms Smith. people' who was an eight

pound baby, estimates her weight as somewhere between 22st and 23st Like others, she suffers as a nowhere to sit," she says, adding that one potential employer also turned her down for a job because

of her appearance. Our world is built for smallering

Naafa has an enormous poten tial constituency — the estimated 38 million people in the United States who are at least 20 per cent

was founded in 1969, has more than tripled in the past four years. Members describe it as an out-growth of the feminist movement of the 1960s, which also included such radical organisations as the "Fat Underground".

But the truth is that Naafa was set up not by a fat woman nor by a fat man, but by an engineer called William Fabrey, an "average-size" man who loved fat women, particu-

larly his fat wife, Joyce. "There has been some discussion of this," Ms Smith concedes. "Who is more discriminating? Is it the man who is attracted to women between 130-150 pounds or the man who is attracted to women of 150-100 pounds. The second has the broad-

The group's members include both men and women, fat and average size. Ms Smith the daugh-ter of a thin mother and a fat father. says she tried just about every type of diet: "I have been fat all my life. My parents put me on my first diet when I was seven years old. I spent the next 20 years yo-yo dieting up

loss products (America's \$37 billion diet industry produces everything from apple pie baked with sugar substitute to meals).

Naafa does its 💰 best to counteract the scientists' support for the cult of thinness, and has

disrupted scientific conferences result. "I feel discriminated against sponsored by the diet industry. The every time I want to go to the organisation issues pamphlets cinema and I can't because there is combating common myths about fat people, with edifying advice to those who have lost the Battle of the Bulge.
"Myth: Fat people can't find

nantic partners," one brochure people, for average size people, "she seeds. "Facts It's estimated that at least 5-10 per cent of the popula-tion has a preference for a large size

Ma Smith says the group plans to push for legislative protection for fat people. Only Michigan bans or weight as part of its catch-all civil

rights legislation of the early 1970s. The group does not plan to let siz-ist airlines off the hook. A demonstration is planned against South West Air to protest about a recent incident in which a fat passenger was escorted from his seat by four armed policemen because he was "encroaching" on his neighbour.

JAMES BONE

An exhibition in London this week focuses on the work of a son who never quite matched up to his famous father



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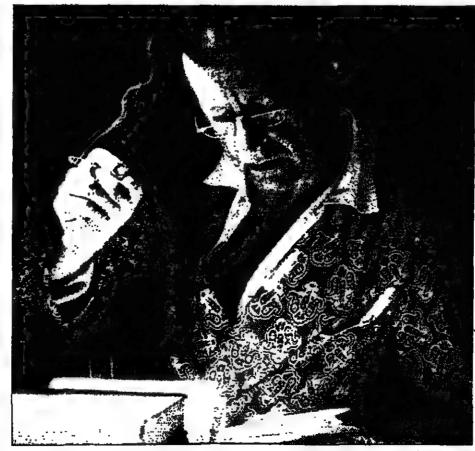
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Just a little Lutyens

umned and corniced Selfridges building apart, Oxford Street merits an entry in few architectural itineraries of London. This is a street in which raising the eyes above the level of garishly competing shopfronts seems more than usually difficult. So, many visitors will probably not have noticed that it contains a building with the name. The Pantheon, picked out in yellow, high up on its distinctive façade of black, polished

granite.
Yet The Pantheon is not unknown to the public. Standing a hundred yards or so to the east of Oxford Circus, the building belongs to Marks & Spencer, and receives thousands of shoppers each day. The Pantheon gained its name from a famous building by James Wyatt that once stood on the same site and the name is still used by Marks & Spencer to distinguish the store from its other site on Oxford Street, near Marble Arch. Inside, both stores look much the same, in corporate colours of beige and green.

It was not always so. When The Pantheon opened in 1938, it had a ground floor of Bianca del Mare marble, and fittings of walnut and teak. At the time there was a fashion for black façades, so the exterior may not have seemed so remarkable as it now appears. All the same, the repetitive vertical emphasis of the window bays, relieved by stepped recesses, the yellow, metal framed windows, the medallions at the top of each bay, and, of course, the use of the name indicate that this was a name indicate that this was a commercial building that aspired to be regarded as



Prescient: Robert Lutyens, who criticised the uninspired trends in town-planning

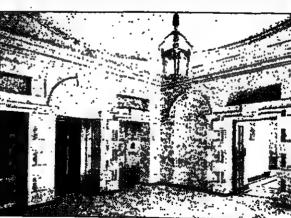
The name of its designer is one of the most famous in British architecture. In 1981. the Hayward Gallery exhibition of the country houses. castles, commercial buildings and viceregal buildings at New Delhi designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens, sealed the reputation of one of the very few architects who is admired by Modernists and Classicists alike. The Pantheon is by son Robert Lutyens.

whose work is far less known. Robert, who was born in 1901, left school at 15. He worked aboard a steam tug. attended and was sent down from Cambridge and subse-quently eloped with a Polish Jewish woman seven years his senior - all by the age of 19. He then tried journalism. beginning at Country Life and moving on, somewhat reluc-tantly, to the Daily Mail. "I

had never so much as glanced

at the Dally Mail", he later wrote, "and its raison d'être escaped me then, just as it does still." Nevertheless, he became the paper's art editor.

Eventually, his lack of ambi-tion betrayed him and he was effectively fired. It was then, in the late 1920s, that he began his architectural work, even though he had no formal training. During the 1930s he designed two country houses, one of them the extraordinary



Lutyens's lobby in Marks & Spencer's Pantheon

Ridgemead, built for the fly-ing ace Captain Woolf This "hacienda style" house was commissioned, according to Lutyens, because his clients

had been on holiday abroad and were reluctant to "surrender the regional apparel of an experience whose essence was at best fugitive". Ridgemead is situated in Englefield Green the village near Windsor where the Duke and Duchess of York's own "ranch-style" country house can now be found. The house cost £30,000 to build and was sold after the war for £22,000. No one could afford this kind of place any more, a fact that helps to explain why demand for Lutyens's services subsequent-

ly fell away, Ridgemead is now an old people's home. However, Lutyens's main source of work during the 1930s was Marks & Spencer, a company with which his wife had family connections. In parmership with Harold Greenwood, from his father's office, he devised a modular system for the design of all Marks & Spencer shop facades. Most have since been rebuilt, and the façades have

moderately successful. His di-vorce, and a brief second marriage, probably estranged him from his Marks & Spencer contacts; moreover the nature of the architectural market had changed. e certainly did not prescience. As some lack architectural

turned to journalism, and to

portrait painting, a field in

which he was also to become

of the writings used to caption a forthcoming exhibition of his work will show, he foresaw many of the problems of postwar planning. "They seek a sedate façadism and an even sky-line", he complained in 1945. "through traffic routes and remote shopping centres, conceding to human needs only the poor prospect of neighbourhood units."

Ridgemead completed, Lut-yens wrote in 1940: "If only I have the chance, I know I can go on to better work and keep father's idiom alive in contemporary building." But the chance never came.

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Perfumed memories of Provence

Peter Mayle was not the first British writer to discover the charms of Provence. Barry Turner has been

reading Lady Fortescue's gem of a country diary

Mayle, travel writer of the year and best-selling exponent of the Gallic tendency. Provence is no longer your exclusive province. Lady Winifred Fortescue's Perfume from Provence, first published in

1935, is about to be reissued. Fears that a travel book of such vintage will fail to hold dispelled. Provence has a timeless quality. Away from the urban excesses of the Côte d'Azur, the tiny hill villages are much as they were in Lady Fortescue's day, undeveloped and seemingly immune to

Anyone who has warmed to the Mayle books will find themselves on cosily familiar terms with the cast of Perfume from Provence: their passion for talk before action, their contempt for authority and their haggling at market.

The homespun philosophy

itch out Peter mence and sure enough summer has come next day and the great heat!"

Readers of the Mayle books will also discover that the two authors are as one in their faintly patronising regard for the daily affairs of sample folk ("the children of nature", as Lady Fortescue calls them). their frequent resorting to classroom French (they sit modern readers should be down to déjeuner to cat a morceau and drink lots of vin) and the preoccupation with household trivia, whether caring for stray animals or positioning the garden furni-ture. Both are shy about their partners - Madame and Monsieur remain shadowy

background figures. Beyond their Francophilia, however, it is hard to imagine the daughter of a Victorian dergyman and wife of the Royal Librarian of Windsor having much in common with a former advertising man and the author of the Wicked Willie books. Mr Mayle went

rian and royal librarian. Though 27 years her senior, John was, she immediately declared, "my man", even if as a settled bachelor with a mission in life — to write a multi-volume history of the British army - he played moderately hard to get.

They were married just be fore the outbreak of the 1914 war. Military history did not pay well and librarianship in more as a privilege than as a career. To help with the family income, Winifred began contributing to Punch and editing the women's page of the Morning Post. The move to France came in

1930 when the army history, which had taken 30 years to write, was completed. At 69, her husband, now Sir John, was ready to put his feet up. Inspired by the jottings of W. J. Locke, an earlier writer who had fallen in love with Provence, Lady Portescue went to Provence in search of sun-drenched days succeeded by "cool night relief from la grande chaleur". She settled on a grey stone cottage just beyond the village of Opio in the Alpes Maritimes. Faded pictures show a two-storey house tucked into a hillside, heavily wooded with olive groves and vines.

scene before Lady busy on her everyday story of Provençal folk. Her style was deceptively simple. "Hilaire is tending his vines today. For months he has been alternatespraying the fruit with powdered sulphur and the leaves with sulfate de cuivre to keep off la maladie ... and now he is tucking great bunches of Muscats into net bags to protect them from what he calls méchantes abeilles which I call wasps."

What enchantments What

For a shopping expedition here, one requires a large and capacious string bag. Foreigners are apt to line their string bags with some attractive colour, thus protecting their purchases from dust and rain and modestly concealing their household supplies. Not so Provenceaux, who prefer an fat carrots, stout leeks, rotund cabbages and other prizes filched from under the very noses of early rising bonnes in the market to raise the cuvy of the defeated."

And, as Mr Mayle has tirelessly reasserted, local customs are so diverting: "The hand shaking in Provence is most exhausting. My hand is shaken at least 60 times a day. shaken in greeting, in parting, and on every possible pretext, by every variety of hand in every possible condition of dirty." It all proved a beguiling mix for a reading public more accustomed to penny pinching without dignity or fun. Not unlike today. But Perfume from Provence ended on a sad note, with John Fortescue's

death in 1933. A second bestseller, Sunset House, appeared in 1937. It before except that Monsieur



was replaced by best friend Mademoiselle, later identified as Elizabeth Starr, a wealthy American-born Francophile who had bought the nearby

Political crisis elsewhere in Europe was not allowed to intrude on tranquil Provence. Only the calamitous fall of the value of sterling rates a mention. But when war came. Lady Fortescue stood forth as a true femme formidable, opening up Sunset House as a billet for footsore poilus from the Alpine army. She mended uniforms, baked cakes and fistened to their sad stories.

She stuck it out until the near certainty of French defeat. Then she handed over the keys to her maid, Margharita, purioined an ancient Fiat and set off across the country to St Nazaire where she just missed the last boat, and to St Malo where she almost missed the last boat because she insisted on taking her dog. After numerous telegrams to Whitehall came news from the Ministry. "We give permission for Lady Fortescue's black

Cocker spaniel to embark." In some of the grimmest mo-ments in British history, with the Dunkirk evacuation already under way, Winifred had pulled it off.

ack home, Lady Fortescue became a fundraiser for the Free French and an propagandist on behalf of her adopted country. But dreams of Provence were never far away. Five years after her departure, in May 1945, she

cadged a lift on an RAF flight to Marseilles and hitched into the mountains to find that Sunset House — and her maid had survived unscathed.

Lady Fortescue spent ber energies raising money for the children's hospital founded by Elizabeth Starr. She also found time to create a garden of English roses. And she lived long enough to enjoy one last, extravagant Provençal celebration - the golden wedding of

her friends, the Paganis. 'Monsieur Pagani, such a handsome old man, though toothless, looked magnificent wearing a loose white linen shirt belted into baggy black trousers with a wide black belt studded with steel, a large black sombrero hat tilted at a

swaggered to meet us followed

by Madame Pagani, her generous proportions upholstered in the sober black worn by all elderly peasants... We were led into a huge chambre verte in which all 36 members of the family were somnolently drinking liqueurs. They had themselves to a

standstill ...-Nobody seems to know what happened to Sunset House. Efforts to trace Lady Fortescue's family have also failed, though the prospect of royalties may now stir a few memories. As Peter Mayle can testify, the Provençal gold is far from exhausted.

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Cars are safer than ever, yet the accident rate is still high. Should motorists be tested as rigorously as their vehicles?

hey are smashed against concrete walls, immersed in baths of salt and put through tests that make their future life on the road seem like a trip to the playpen. Cars have never been so safe. Motorists can buy cars with protective wraparound steel cages, anti-lock brakes and air-bags to protect them from steering wheel injury. And every year their cars have to meet an increasingly rigorous MOT.

Traditional pastime: Provenceasor playing pétanque

south on the crest of a wave, a

golden boy of Thatcherite enterprise with more than

enough spare cash to pay the

maçon. Lady Fortescue was

Her title is misleading. She

was not well off and spent

much of her life dreaming up

money-making schemes to

support a modest household.

She moved to Provence "to be

poor with dignity".

Winifred Beach was the

second youngest of four child-

ren brought up in a Suffolk

rectory. She was saved from

cierical domesticity by a chance meeting with the Duchess of Mariborough who

urged her to go on the stage. A succession of bit parts won her

an invitation to a Windsor

garden party. There she met John Fortescue, military histo-

less fortunate.

traced back to such as Mon-

sieur Pierre, the Fortescues'

indolent bee-keeping neigh-

bour - "He sweeps a brawny

arm towards the majesty of

mountains rising above a sea

of grey-green olive foliage and

asks me why people spend their lives striving to make

money when Le Bon Dieu

gives them all this beauty for

nothing" - and Hilaire, the amiable gardener, with his unnerving talent for alterna-

tive meteorology.
"A snail walks across a path

with only one born extended.

Hilaire abandons his watering

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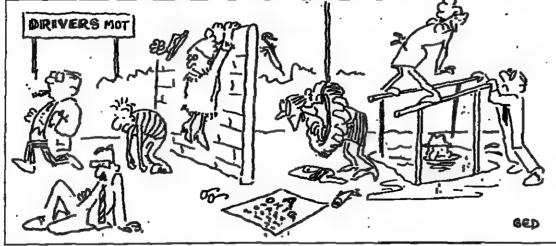
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As cars become mechanically safer, driver error is now estimated to be responsible for as many as 70 per cent of road accidents. The accident toll rate is running at more than 5,000 deaths a year. So shouldn't drivers have an MOT every year, too? Three reports in the past month have advocated testing the human as well

The DVLC (Driver Vehicle Licencing Centre) issues driving licences until the age of 70. After that, the driver renews the licence every three years by filling in a form to say he or she still feels fit to drive. No medical check, other than the eye-sight test at the initial test, is required. A licence holder must sign a declaration of health, and is responsible for making known any disability.

Almost 650,000 people over the age of 70 are licensed to drive private motor vehicles in Britain. But are they safe to do so? The Bristol Memory Disorders Clinic recently examined the driving practices of people with dementia. One-fifth of 329 patients with documented dementia continued to drive after the onset of the disease and impaired driving ability was noted in twothirds of these. Dr Desmond O'Neill,

Drivers in the hot seat



regularly got lost, went up the wrong side of dual carriageways and across neighbours' gardens.

A week after Dr O'Neill's study was published in the Journal of the Royal Society of Medicine the AA warned that the most dangerous group on the road was, in fact, the 17- to 20-yearold male. Of every 100 young male drivers, 22 caused an accident last year compared with six in every 100

in the 31-40 age group.

The AA has called for more intensive training for young drivers who are likely to display "aggressive tendencies at the wheel". As with sex education, training should focus more on attitudes and relationships and less on the mechanics, their Even the 31-40-year-old age group has been criticised. A study by scientists at Aston University. Birmingham, published two weeks ago, shows that a high percentage of Britain's 4.5 million company car drivers could be displaying symptoms of stress that severely affect their driving judgment. Last year 43.5 per cent of drivers of fleet cars were involved in an insurance claim and for every 41 company cars on the road there was one death or injury.

Designers, psychologists, motoring organisations and accident researchers are all beginning to concentrate on the role of motorists in accidents. Murray Mackey, a professor of transport safety at the University of

Rirmingham, thinks that it is imoos-

sible to weed out potentially dangerous drivers. "Driving behaviour is extremely erratic, it fluctuates with daily life. I'm sure we all know lots of grannies who are blind as bats and quite deal yet still drive, but they are probably safer than a ditherer, a girl applying her make-up, a jilted boy-friend or someone who has just got the sack," Professor Mackay says.

Professor Mackay believes the solution lies in making cars as idiotproof as possible. "Controls need to be simpler. As many decisions as possible need to be taken away from the driver." He also advocates intermittent testing to ensure drivers are still roadworthy.

Age Concern does not feel it is fair to single out older people. "It is

blatant age discrimination. Just because you are 70 you are not on the scrap heap," says Sally Greengross, the director. "The old are probably far more responsible. Have you ever heard of a joy-riding grandmother?

A Reading University they have spent ten years trying to fathom driving habits. The majority believe that they are superior drivers and nothing will ever happen to them." says Frank McKenna, a reader in psychology. "We make people imagine that accidents are their fault and their driving immediately improves. To be a good driver you have to learn to predict all types of danger." According to Mr McKenna, it is not a question of toucher tests, it is the type of tests that are wrong. Older people need medical checks, the young need to learn they are not all natural racing drivers.

Mr McKenna says the main problem is that the human body is not designed to go at speeds greater than 20 miles per hour. His view is supported by the RAF pilot training department. "Nobody would dream of getting into a plane without months of training and medical checks and they are taught about potentially dangerous situations. If we put drivers through the same tests we would end up with far fewer

accidents. The AA says that driving on pank holidays is no more dangerous than any other time of year. In fact, according to a spokeswore .:"People are forced to drive more stor + and that means fewer actidents."

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Unions seek fresh cause

John O'Leary looks at the stance that the teachers' unions must take if they are to retain members and remain a force under a fourth Tory government

o unions can expect an easy ride in a fourth term of Conservative government, but the four representing classroom teachers may have particular cause for concern. The unions have been ignored by ministers and regarded as an irrelevance by many of their own members. The annual Easter spectacle has done nothing for the public standing of teachers, which has never recovered from the disputes of the mid 1980s.

The timing of the general elec-tion made this year's conferences highly unpredictable and also crucial for the unions future. If frustration with the Conservatives' victory encourages a new militancy. the unions may lose their chance to recover lost ground through a better relationship with a more sympathetic education secretary.

They may also precipitate a membership decline in a traditionally unionised profession. Now that pay rates are in the hands of a review body and many schools are likely to opt out, possibly ending union recognition in the process, some teachers will question the justification for membership.

Peter Smith, the general secretary of the Assistant Masters and Mistresses Association (AMMA), acknowledges the risk that some teachers will prefer a low-cost classroom insurance policy to union membership. He told dele-gates at the annual conference last week that members would be attracted only by unrivalled advice and analysis, and high-quality training and organisation, as well

as legal support and insurance.
The moderate AMMA is still growing. however, having doubled membership since 1978. The risks are greater for the unions on the extremes. The National Union of Teachers (NUT), on the left, and the Professional Association of Teachers (PAT), on the right, have lost members and, for different reasons, could face bigger difficulties during the next five years.

The non-striking PAT, which came close to a merger with AMMA last year, has lost its founding father and general secretary at an unfortunate moment with the retirement of Peter Dawson. Teachers no longer need a refuge from constant industrial action, and PAT has been unable to sustain the growth that would have increased its influence.

The NUT, whose conference finishes tomorrow, has provided most of the more lurid headlines during recent Easters. Although still the largest union, with a strong base in primary schools, it has had financial problems, and its leaders have an annual struggle with a growing block of conference delegates who are clearly unrepresenta-tive of the membership.

Doug McAvoy, the general secretary, saw further trouble ahead even before the election result was known. He said some members would want to abandon the union's two-year campaign for public sup-port for state education if the Conservatives were returned and take a more militant line.

Mr McAvoy's fears were aroused by six separate motions for the conference demanding industrial action. There was even a call for

> Teachers are going to need a union more than ever'

action next year if the government refuses to abandon the present form of testing at seven and 14. Last year's resounding deseat for the left in the NUT's previous ballot on a testing boycott underlined the gulf in attitudes between the general membership and many of its activists. The response of associations such as Camden's, in north



The Peter Smith approach: members will be attracted only by unrivalled advice and analysis

London, is to propose that a ballot on non-cooperation with appraisal should contain only material sup-

porting the boycott.
Mr Smith believes such attitudes may soon die out, as the NUT and other unions are forced to come to terms with political reality. Having grasped the nettle of accepting opting-out, he warned his members against complacency, suggesting that rival unions would also reas-

sess their strategies.
The National Union of Schoolmasters and Union of Women Teachers (NASUWT), which begins its conference today, may not embrace opting-out, but it chooses its ground for confrontation carefully. The agenda contains only one proposal for possible industrial action, on class size.

Sue Rogers, the NASUWT president, is by no means pessimistic about the prospects for her union, whose membership grew by 1 per cent last year and 3 per cent this year. She says: "Teachers are going to need a union more than ever

with so many redundancies in the air. We have had a lot of success in local disputes because people are much more willing to take action when necessary at a school or local authority level, rather than joining national campaigns."

The union has seen its involvement in disputes rise steeply in the past year, largely because of local authority budget cuts. Mrs Rogers expects many more as Labour authorities run out of room for financial manoeuvre.

All the unions are relying on the government seeing its reduced majority from an election, in which education was more prominent than usual, as a reason to resume traditional levels of consultation.

John Patten, the new education secretary, may be more prepared than his predecessor, Kenneth Clarke, to meet their leaders, but it is hard to imagine him restoring them to their former positions of influence. The fact that the unions are divided on several key issues, from pay review to opting out, adds

to their difficulties. The opposition parties are likely to pay them more attention, however. The Liberal Democrats discussed the teaching unions at the first post-election meeting of the parliamentary party, keen to build on the popularity of their manifesto commitments.

Jack Straw, Labour's education spokesman, has always tried to distance himself from the teaching unions but will want to nurse the majority support his party enjoyed among teachers during the elec-tion. Within five days of defeat at the polls, Mr Straw was speaking at the AMMA conference.

Such attention may be flattering, but it will be little help to the unions in the next five years. They are likely to demand a more efficient local service to face a multitude of new employers in newly indepen-dent colleges and grant-main-tained schools. Meanwhile, the unions' public profile is unlikely to improve until Easter ceases to signal what Mr Smith calls the "annual whingers' think-in".

Illuminating with true knowledge

Susan Elkin

A P.D. James thriller, published in 1989, was splendidly entitled Devices and Desires. This nicely balanced alliterative phrase comes, of course, from the general confession said at morning

and evening prayer.

Apparently, Lady James re-fused to have the source glossed in the book, arguing that people should know the prayer book. She is right. They should. Regrettably, however, younger readers are unlikely to know anything about the beautiful 1662 statement of the liturgy of the established church, The Book of Common Prayer.

There is a good case to be made for the inclusion of the book in the national curriculum. not necessarily for its religious dimension but for its wider edu-

It is, or should source for the history of thought and language. It away from the national consciousness for reasons espoused by the cation, which argues that it is too "diffi-

cultural value.

cult", and that its images are out of date. But nothing could be simpler than, for example, "Oh Lord who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights" or "Man that is born of woman hath but a short time to live". Have those who rejected it actually looked at it? The predominantly English vocabulary avoids latinisms. Consider the potential for "learning about language", a national-curriculum requirement. The prayer book presents numerous examples of old verb (hath, doth, saith) and pronoun forms (thee,

thy, thine). In importance, it is inferior only to the King James Bible of 1611 and the first folio of Shakespeare of 1623. Developed during the 16th century, it underwent revisions that were tidied into the 1662 version, so it is largely the work of those superb writers, the Tudor clerics Cramner and Ridley.

The London primary school I attended in the 1950s did not particularly emphasise religion, but we all knew The Lord's Prayer, We also had to learn the Magnificat and the Nunc Dimittis. Memorable phrases such as "He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts" were part of my personal experience of language. I doubt that I understood them, but it did not matter. Poetry can communicate before it is understood and I was developing a love of words; surely the basis for all successful English teaching? Although the

grammar school which I transferred in 1958 was not church

school, the headmistress Christianlines. I quickly learnt, for instance, to chorus back "And his mercy endureth for ever in response to

thanks unto the Lord, for he is

I have since rejected the Church's doctrinal teaching, yet I attended services regularly in my adolescence, which further reinforced my knowledge of the prayer book, for which ! am grateful. Today few children have any knowledge of the book. "Series Three" and the like are in vogue now because they are considered more "accessible". You certainly could not have anything more banal than "And also with you," substituted for "And also with you."

for "And with thy spirit". The Book of Common Prayer is a source of fine poetry and should be a key text. Our children are entitled to it.

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NUS centre to the fore

Students come to terms with

the election

The heavens in Blackpool last week were as grey and forbidding as the mood on the Winter Gardens conference floor, as the National Union of Students opened its main annual conference under the unexpected cloud of a fourth Con-

servative victory.

A fortnight ago, NUS leaders were confident that they would soon be sitting in the office of Jack Straw, their former president and Labour's prospective education secre-tary, negotiating a new student support package and shoring up the union's pos-

They hoped to find friends among Neil Kinnock's closest advisers, such as Charles Clarke (president, 1975-7) and Neil Stewart (1982-4). This vision of the promised land proved, however, to be a

mirage.
"It's an absolute disaster." one member of the national executive told me. "I think everybody is shell-shocked, especially those who spent a lot of time canvassing. It's still sinking in."
The union now faces

another five-year haul of unpredictable relations with a government that has made no secret of its wish to impose individual membership on "the last closed shop".
As a federation, the NUS is

funded by block payments from 880 affiliated college unions and individual membership could easily spell financial ruin at a time when the union is trying hard to get its books in order.

John Patten, the new education secretary, are awaited with some foreboding. Not surprisingly, the oppo-nents of the NUS sense vic-

The first pronouncements of

The union's time is up," Kevin Shinkwin, the national officer of the Conservative Students group, said last week. "It deludes itself if it thinks that it can continue to dodge



Winner: Lorna Fitzsimmons, centre, celebrates her election as the NUS president

the real issue of voluntary membership.
"A historic fourth term for

the Conservatives gives them a mandate for ongoing and, in some cases long overdue, re-form. The time is ripe for students to be liberated from the last closed shop."

Yet the gloom shrouding the spring conference was decep-tive. Little more than a month ago, the national union was tearing itself to pieces in Wolverhampton over reform plans put forward by moderates, reforms that were vig-

orously opposed by the left. The leadership struggled to keep a grip on the reins. At the Blackpool -conference, however, the atmosphere was different.

Debates were constructive and ran to time. Issues such as employment and the training prospects of students were discussed with as much vigour as were hardy perennials such as South Africa and anti-fascism. Even some Conservative delegates expressed approval, openly discussing ways of encouraging refusenik Tories back into the NUS fold.

Politically, the NUS swang decisively from the left to the pragmatic centre in the course of the week. In the race for the presidency. Lorna Fitzsimons, for Labour, captured Liberal Democrat support in the final transfer of votes to defeat Left Unity's Janine Booth. Labour took all three vice-presidential posts, while Ian Pigg, a Lib-eral Democrat, was elected secretary. The unstated Lib-Lab pact conquered all, with an efficiency that the opposition parties would do well to note. From the press desk, it looked a bit like a velvet rev-

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pressive speakers, such as Miss Booth. Its activists still contest the abolition of the winter conference, traditionally the scene of the union's most raucous in-fighting. More generally, Labour's failure in the general election may prompt a hardening of stu-dent militancy in its existing strongholds and a further wave of sit-ins and rent strikes.

None the less, the national union's reformist wing has a dear mandate to press ahead with devolution, financial re-

form and forging better links with the government.
"Anything that decentralises power from London is a good thing and I very much hope the reforms work," said Jim Guild, the president of Dundee University's student association, which belongs to the national union but runs its

own services.

"I should also like to see the NUS reinstate in its constitution the clause that restricts it to talking about education and nothing else."

This probably goes too far for most of the union's new

leadership, who will not easily surrender the option of political campaigning. But Miss Fitzsimons recognises that "the future of the NUS is going to be one of hard decisions".

Top of her agenda, as the long vacation looms, will be the spread of student hardship.

"What are we going to do this summer, when there are fewer jobs and less housing provision than last year?" she asks. "There has to be a breaking point. But we can provide the government with rational alternatives if they are prepared to listen,"

She takes over a union clambering back to credibility.

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Truancy often leads to crime, and one way of breaking that link is skills training, as a method introduced here from the US is showing

New hope for lost children

simple objective — providing a second chance in education for some of Britain's 200,000 habitually truant children. The scheme was created in New York in 1977 as a last-disch attempt to wean Harlem's teenage drop-outs from a life of crime and living on welfare. It has since spread across America, where it will educate 500,000 truants a year by

The scheme is organised as a partnership between the local community, schools and industry, with all three groups contributing financial and human resources to the programme. For example, in Asianta, Georgia, a department store has turned a former sales floor into a school for truants, where the staff join teachers in tutoring the children. As they progress, the teenagers are offered part-time jobs.

At the store, they receive basic skills lessons and counselling seasions in order to change their attitudes. Previously illiterate and unemployable teenagers have be-come worthwhile members of

In the past decade, Britain has also acknowledged the effects of its truancy problem. Organisations offering youth training found that 25 per cent of trainees had difficulty with reading and writing, and 17 per cent could not do simple arithmetic. Seven out of ten habitual truants are illiterate and many turn to crime, with the result that the peak age for offenders is 15.

As the parliamentary select committee on education puts it, "the prison population is characterised by low levels of literacy and numeracy and by a high incidence of school truancy."

The obvious way forward is to catch them young and equip them with academic and social skills to get out of the ghetto before they end up in court. The success of the the United States prompted its introduction into this country.

"Its benefit," says Michael Spillane, the British director of Cities in Schools, "is that it develops self-esteem of truants in an environ-ment that encourages them to achieve their full potential. "Our first pilot project in Tower Hamlets, London, in 1990, run in partner-ship with a local authority and Grand Metropolitan, started with 70 truants: Of these, 80 per cent had a criminal record. But in the 18 months they attended our special academy, where they learned language, maths and life skills, not one re-offended.

"Even more encouragingly, 50 per cent attended every day, with 96 per cent turning up 80 per cent of the time. Their employment prospects were also transformed.

76 per cent obtained jobs and a further 16 per cent decided to take further education courses."

The success of this first academy has led to the creation of another four and, next term, the partnership will establish its first schoolbased project at Morpeth, Northumberland. Mr Spillane says the intention.

The scheme also provides a service for parents who also quit school

will be to catch pupils about to drop out and give them skills training and counselling so they can return to normal lessons. "We also plan a summer school, and eventually we hope to provide a service for primary schools, as in America. Potential truants can be spotted at the age of six. We think that by catching them young and proving



Second chance: Kim Murphy, aged 16, a former truant from Tower Hamlets in east London, doing work experience at Hambro's bank in the City of London. She is taking part in Cities in Schools and attends one of the assessment centres opened to help children to fulfil their potential

the advantage of education, they will avoid truancy."

Cities in Schools is also offering a

service for parents because many who see no value in education, and have been truants themselves, pass their views onto their children. Some are among Britain's six mil-lion illiterate adults, so they are offered basic skills courses. Others need counselling so they can build good relationships with their children. And some are unfamiliar with the idea of an education system and need to be told about the importance of regular school attendance.

Mr Spillane is convinced that

Cities in Schools is successful because it is a partnership. The organisation's second project based at Lliswerry Comprehensive, Newport, Gwent - has taken two years to organise to get the partner-ship balance right. It now has five industrial backers (ranging from the Post Office to British Steel) and is supported by Gwent LEA, the local police and Barnardo.

Cilla Davies, its coordinator, is a magistrate who has worked in the prison service for 11 years. "I joined Cities in Schools because I was tired of reading endless social inquiry reports on young offenders

Prison numbers may fall if Cities in Schools goes nationwide

that said they had dropped out of school, lacked qualifications and had no jobs. Something has to be done to prevent this waste of young lives. And I think that this project

will give these youngsters hope."

John Brewer, head of Lliswerry Comprehensive, agrees. "We want to build on our existing truancy prevention project which provides

for any pupil with academic, social or emotional problems," he says.
"That scheme caters for only about 15 pupils a year. Cities in Schools, with its own building on the school campus, will be able to do much more. I believe it will help encourage truants to return to normal essons by starting them off gently by, for example, using the swim-ming pool or sports hall."

Ms Davies is convinced that Britain's prison population will fall if Cities in Schools goes nationwide. After Gwent, a project is due to start in Hounslow, west London, and the hope is that 20 schemes catering for 20,000 pupils will be operating within two years. "We cannot afford to go on

neglecting all these young people," Mr Spillane says. "They need care to sort their lives out and Cities in Schools is one of the few organisations able to provide that."

Caring that can crack the gangs

Three students killed in a out rates on record. North Long week is nothing to be proud Beach consists mainly of minority of at the Burger King Acad-in North Long Beach, California. But this is the gang capital of the United States, with 128 gangs in the area. They have more firepower and manpower than the police and the sheriff's department put together," says Melony Alexan-der, the director of Gang Abatement and the community liaison officer of the Cities in Schools project at Jordan High School.

The academy is a mobile unit in the school grounds and Burger King, along with a number of other companies, is backing the project. Every year almost a million young people drop out of Ameri-can public schools. The result is a

growing number of uneducated, unskilled and unfulfilled youngsters who get into trouble and who will continue this spiral of degralation with their own children. Cities in Schools is the largest

non-profit-making dropout scheme in the US. The scheme was established in the 1960s and has 61 programmes on 309 sites throughout the country. "You will

problem in the UK, sooner or later," says Ms Alexander. At 35, Families move but the problem usually moves she is one of the foremost gang experts in the with them US. She loves the children and they

love her. As a mark of respect they have given her a special gang name

— Sweets. They are her children. She does not have any of her own. "Some people save the whales," she says. "I save the kids."

Financial support for these and similar projects comes from the business world. Corporate America takes a great interest in its "at risk" students. Those who are likely to drop out of school, become involved in drugs or have their health, person or future endan-

gered are seen to be at risk. An estimated 14 million Americans needed for the work market in 1995 will be unprepared for the jobs if education standards do not improve. Nearly a third of all new entrants into the labour force by 2000 will come from the minorities. They have the highest dropgroups. About 80 per cent of the young in the area are said to be affected by the gang culture.

Yolanda, aged 16, was a gang "affiliate" when she joined the programme. As an affiliate she went with boys in the gang and was in every sense a member, although not initiated. She has been with the programme for three years and now looks on Ms Alexander as her sister. The family tie is important. "If I had not come to Cities in Schools I would be either in jail or dead by now - like the other three kids who died in shootings last week," she says.

Instead, she hopes to finish school and go to college to be a social worker. Her school grades are improving.

The way to solve the gang problem is to treat the members as individuals and to make use of their strengths." Ms Alexander says. They have been rejected by society and their families. In the gang they have power and influence. The members care for each other, as a family should. They

have to go out-side the home to get this care. They need somehappens to them. This is what we can offer at Cit-

They get one-to-one attention. If they do not turn up at school, we go and get them. We care, and we are not frightened to show it. If a kid improves grades, then we rejoice. If they are sad, we are sad, and they know it. When someone cares, it makes a difference."

Families from Long Beach and other areas move to avoid the problem. Unfortunately, the problem often moves with them. Ms Alexander's warning should be taken seriously, as there seems little sign of a solution in Long Beach, and in the other states and school districts in the US that suffer the same fate.

GEORGE TURNBULL The author is the editor of Business

The empire shrinks back

What will the

departmental changes mean?

he expected departure of Kenneth Clarke was always likely to mean a change of character at the education department, but no commentators expected the process to go quite as far as it

Not only has there been a dean sweep of ministers, but the very name of the department is to alter next month. John Patten will preside over the Department for Education, passing responsibility for science to William Waldegrave, the Chancellor of the

Duchy of Lancaster. Far from extending its empire by taking over the employment department's training functions, as some expected. education has also lost responsibility for sport to the new heritage department.

The changes may allow back into the fold civil servants who could not be accommodated in the department's smarter but smaller new headquarters.

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The loss of science, explained by John Major's view that science and technology should permeate all departments, may cause complica-tions for universities, most of which receive a substantial proportion of their funding for research. Higher education's new funding councils will now have to juggle institutional budgets from two different departments.

One consolation will be the combination of further and higher education in a single ministerial brief. Tim Eggar's particular interest and experience in further education produced a division of responsibilities in the last administration which took no account of the closer relationship developing between the sectors.

Mr Patten's team retains the usual political bailince by including as junior ministers Eric Forth from the right of the Conservative party, and Nigel Forman from its left. Mr Forman's academic experience, which includes degrees from Oxford, Harvard and Sussex universities, will be put to good use as higher educa-tion minister, while Mr Forth will take over many of the duties of Michael Fallon, a

kindred political spirit. Mr Forman will have to guide two new funding councils, as well as advising the including Aids and drugs.



JOHN PATTEN, as Secretary of State, will deal personally with public spending negotia-tions and the funding of throughout education and European Community matters.

An MP since 1983, he spent the whole of the last Parlia-ment as a minister of state at the Home Office. He has also been housing minister and an under secretary in Northern

Mr Patten is said to be "reading himself in" before beginning a round of meet-ings after after the Easter holiday period.

Privy Council on potentially damaging disputes over institutional titles between polytechnics and neighbouring universities. Preparing sixth form and further education colleges for independence will he a priority task. Mr Patten's own appoint-



ERIC FORTH, one of two new junior ministers, arrives from the employment department. A former Euro MP, he has also held office at the trade and industry department. He is responsible for local management of schools, building programmes in schools and further education colleges, school governors, school transport, meals and milk, admissions policy, education research, discipline, independent schools and special education.

He also has responsibility for health and sex education,



BARONESS BLATCH, the minister of state, will speak on education in the Lords.

She is responsible for teacher training and supply: ap-praisal; city technology col-leges and opting-out; the school curriculum, testing, assessment and examinations, including A and AS levels; school reorganisation plans; under-fives; women's issues; links between schools and industry: careers education: race relations in schools; and

mner cities policy.

A peer since 1990, she was previously at the environment department.

ment has been greeted with relief by teacher unions and local authority representatives bruised by their encounters with Mr Clarke. An academic background and his choice of a state primary school for his daughter have added to Mr Patten's reputation for being



NIGEL FORMAN has waited 15 years to become a junior minister. Although parliamentary private secretary to three ministers, he was considered too "wet" for pro-He is responsible for higher

education, overseeing its new funding council, the move to independence in further education, 16-19 issues, other than A and AS levels, links with the employment department, adult education and professional updating, home and overseas students, the youth service and international work outside the EC.

on the liberal wing of the

The longest-serving minis-ter outside the Cabinet, Mr Patten has a degree from Cambridge University and a string of books to his name. He also edited the Journal of Historical Geography from 1975 to 1980, and retains an interest in the subject.

As a constituency MP four years ago, he campaigned against a Conservative school reorganisation plan in Oxford. He was once a popular lecturer in geography at Hertford College, and is said to have sought the education portfolio, without being widely tipped.

There will be more apprehension in the education world at the choice of Baroness Blatch to succeed Mr Eggar as minister of state. A long-standing colleague of Mr Major in Cambridgeshire, where she led the county council for four years, she is expected to be an enthusiastic leader of the opting out process.

A former member of the Council of Local Education Authorities and the now defunct Schools Council, Baroness. Blatch spoke for the government on education in the House of Lords during the last Parliament, but was based in the environment department. She was leading the government side when Labour staged its successful ambush on the proposals to privatise school inspections, warning her opponents that they would tear the heart out of the bill".

he and Mr Patten will have to decide whether her judgment was cor-rect, or whether Mr Clarke was right when he subsequently insisted the new system would still work. The division of ministerial

responsibilities also give a clear indication of the government's continuing commit-ment to A and AS levels in broadly their present form. While Mr Forman will deal with most issues affecting the 16 to 19 age group, Baroness Blatch will have specific re-sponsibility for the "gold standard" examinations.

With Mr Forth, who has responsibility for school governors, Baroness Blatch will also have prime responsibility for bringing to an end the longrunning dispute at Stratford School, in east London. Fresh legislation will be considered on governors' powers in grant maintained and local author-

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asylum seekers or political refu-gees would inevitably be illegal

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disembarked from ship or air-

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Accordingly, in both cases it was not shown on the Crown's

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Their Lordships would observe

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Disembarkation is not entry

Regina v Naillie Regina v Kanesarajah Before Lord Justice Watkins, Mr Justice Swinton Thomas and Mr

[Judgment April 14]

Disembarkation from a ship or aircraft was not to be equated with entry into the country and persons who disembarked without a right of entry were not automatically illegal entrants. The Court of Appeal, Criminal Division, so held in a reserved

judgment allowing the appeals of Yabu Naillie and Rajaratnam Kanesarajah against their convic-tions of facilitating entry into the United Kingdom, contrary to section 25(1) of the Immigration Act 1971.

Naillie was convicted on August 7. 1991 at Isleworth Crown Court Dudge Simon Evans and a jury): Kanesarajah was convicted on November 18, 1991 at Croydon Crown Court (Judge Sir David Hughes-Morgan and a jury). In cach case the appellant had arranged the travel to the UK of persons who had, to his knowedge, used false passports when mbarking on their flight to the UK. They were both sentenced to 15 months imprisonment.

Mr Anthony Scrivener, QC. who did not appear below, and Mr Michael Massih, both assigned by the registrar of Criminal Appeals, for Naillie, Mr Martin Griffith for the Crown: Miss Frances Webber, who did **British wives of US forces**

Tatum and Others v Cherwell

District Council and Another

Before Lord Justice Purchas, Lord

Justice Mann and Lord Justice

British citizens married to United

States servicemen were not ex-empt from the community charge by virtue of section 12 of the Visiting Forces Act 1952.

The Court of Appeal so held in dismissing an appeal by 13 wives of US servicemen stationed at RAF Upper Heytord against a

(The Times November 18, 1991)

allowing an appeal by Cherwell District Council and the Cherwell

district charge registration officer against a decision of the Oxford-

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Section 12 of the Visiting Forces Act 1952 provides: "Ref-

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[Judgment April 15]

not appear below, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for Kanesarajah; Mr Timothy R.

LORD JUSTICE WATKINS. giving the judgment of the court, said that the appeals had been heard together by consent of the appellants because they raised similar issues as to the meaning of the phrase "illegal entrant" in section 25(1) of the 1971 Act, the status of persons entering the United Kingdom without permission who claimed to be asylum stekers or political refugees and the offence committed by anyone who assisted an illegal entrant to

The main question which arose was: Was it established that illegal entrants were those who (a) en-tered clandestinely or (b) obtained leave to enter by themselves practising fraud or deceit by the use of a materially false docu-ment: see R v Secretary of State for the Home Department, Exparte Khawaja ([1984] 1 AC 74) and R v Secretary of State for the Home Department, Exparte Chan (The Times January 1, 1992).

The Crown submitted that the asylum seekers should be re-garded as having entered the UK when they disembarked from the aircraft. Seeing that they had no passports then they were in-evitably illegal entrants. Their Lordships could not agree with that. A person was required under the Immigration Rules to

are liable for poll tax

United Kingdom and Colonies or ordinarily resident in the United

Kingdom, but being a dependant

or of a civilian component of that

Mr Andrew Collins, QC and Mr Timothy Straker for the appellants: Mr Harry Sales for

LORD JUSTICE MANN said

the appellants were agreed to be dependants of members of a

visiting force who were not for

present purposes ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom.

The question was whether their British chizenship alone pre-vented them from having a rele-

vant association with a visiting

force and consequently being

exempt from the community charge under the Local Govern-

The obstacle to their appeal was

the word "or" separating two negative conditions in section 12(2)(b). It ordinarily meant that

the conjoins were not cumulative.

ment Finance Act 1988.

of a member of that visiting force

produce a passport to an im-migration officer before, or at, or required by that officer.

The asylum seekers arriving in the UK in those cases had not been so required. None of them at any time produced a forged passport within this country or attempted to go through immigration control using a false passport or any other false

On the facts, in their Lordships' view, the asylum seekers were not persons who had sought to enter in breach of the immigration laws and had not so entered. They were and that has been and entered clandestinely or by practising fraud or deception by means of materially false documents or

Entry could not be equated with disembarkation. The distinction between entry into the UK and disembarkation from a ship or aircraft was quite clearly rec-ognised in section 11 of the 1971 Act where disembarkation and entry were contrasted and specific ision was made for the area ween the two where persons were ed not to enter the con It could not be the law, in their Lordships' view, on any proper construction of the relevant sections of the 1971 Act that dis embarkation was to be equated with entry, or that persons who disembarked without a right of entry were automatically illegal

prevent a person having a

individuals and were therefore subject to the personal commu-

nity charge. In practice, their liabilities would be discharged by their husbands who might under-standably regard the payment as

a penalty for marriage to a British critzen. If the husbands asked why there should be such a penalty, his Lordship could only answer that it was because Parliament had so

Lord Justice McCowan agreed.

LORD JUSTICE PURCHAS

said it was bizarre that the section excluded from the protection given to visiting forces those who had a remote connection with the

United Kingdom such as a British Overseas Citizen but yet gave the

benefit of protection to a Commonwealth citizen or a Brit-

ish protected person. But that was what the Act intended and the

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appeal had to be dismissed.

As Lord Donaldson, Master of the Rolls, had pointed out in the Rolls, had pointed our in Secretary of State for the Home Department, Ex parte Sivakumaran (1988) AC 958) is was unlikely that the asylum seeker would have a valid passport. Nevertheless, it was submitted

by the Crown that despite the provisions of the rules relating to the Protocol, a refuger, unless he had valid documentation on arrival in the UK, was an illegal

Their Lordships did not agree In the light of the authorities and the relevant sections of the Act and the rules, so long as a person leaving an aircraft was an asylum seeker and did not attempt otherseeker and did not attempt other-wise to seek entry or to obtain entry by fraud such as by the use of laise documents or without any documentation at all, but re-mained within a designated area when he claimed asylum, he was not an illegal entrant.

For those reasons, their Lordships were driven to hold, being only too conscious of the problems a flood of asytum seekers would create for the immigration and the bloom of the problems. authorities and the Home Secretary, that the asylum seekers in the present cases were not illegal entrants. Therefore an essential ingredient of the offences laid under section 25(1) was not made out against either appellant. It followed that submissions of no case to answer at the close of

the Crown's case should have been allowed.

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Status of housing applicants

Regina v Secretary of State for the Environment, Ex par-te Tower Hamlets London London Borough Council for declarations that it was so entitled and that provisions to the con-**Borough Council**

Before Lord Justice Lloyd and Mr Justice Waterhouse [Judgment April 9]

A local housing authority was not entitled to investigate the im-migrant status of applicants for housing to ascertain whether they or their dependants had a right of recourse to public funds for accommodation and to conclude, if they did not have such a right. that their leave to enter was obtained by fraud and to refuse to

that signing the Convention and Protocol relating to the Status of Refugees (Cmnd 9171 and Cmnd 3096) had undoubtedly caused serious problems for immigration consider the application.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held in refusing an application by Tower Hamlets

A statutory right given by a private Act of Parliament to establish a market for the "sale of cheese, corn, butter, fruit, veg-etables, fish, meat, hay and other marketable commodities permitted the levying of a general market and not one limited to the sale of food and agricultural

ting a community charge de-faulter to prison had been postponed on condition of pay-ment by instalments under regulation 41 of the Community

Charges (Administration and Enforcement) Regulations (SI 1989 No 438), justices could issue

faulter to prison for breach of the

conditions when he was not present in court, provided he had

been given notice of the hearing.
Mr Justice Henry so held on
April 15 in the Queen's Bench
Division when dismissing an
application by Ronald William
Newell for judicial review of a

decision of Northampton Justices

trary in the Code of Guidance (Third Edition) issued by the Department of the Environment on September 1, 1991 pursuant to Part III of the Housing Act 1085 are ultra village. under the law. The law was clear. The authority owed a duty to them once admitted. 1985 was ultra vires. If a recent immigrant made an Mr Asley Underwood and Miss application for rehousing the borough might well suspect the basis of his leave. The problem was acute because the applicants

Lisa Giovanetti for Tower Ham-lets: Mr David Pannick for the Secretary of State for the Environment: Mr Andrew Arden, QC and Mr Christopher Baker for the Commission for Racial Equality. were those who usually had prior-In no way pending a ruling could the local authority act as if

LORD JUSTICE LLOYD said that objection was taken to para-graphs 4.11 and 4.12 of the code of guidance produced in ac-cordance with section 71 of the

The situation was that imand no one else could take it, the migrants admitted with leave obtained by fraud nevertheless duties of the local authority to him had a valid leave until such time as a determination was made and As to the local authority's were entitled to equal treatment

contention that the code appeared to prevent them making legitimate enquiries concerning the applicant's immigration status. Mr Pannick would seem to be right when he said that the applicants had misread the code since they could make enquiries of the Home Secretary, although of course whether the Home Secretary was obliged to answer them and how promptly was another Mr Justice Waterhouse agreed.

the applicant's leave to enter was invalid. The leave to enter stood Solicitors: Mr J. E. Marlowe. until the Home Secretary deter-mined that it was obtained by Tower Hamlets: Treasury Solici-

1852, there was nothing in their context requiring the wide meaning of those words to be cut down.

Their general meaning was ex-tremely wide: a kind of thing

produced for use or sale, an article of commerce, an object of trade.

The judge was in error in

applying the ejusdem generis rule to the phrase. The words were to

have their ordinary meaning of being unlimited with reference to articles which might be traded in

Lord Justice Balcombe agreed.

the context of markets.

Right to establish general market

Aberdare Markets and Town Hall Co v Bolwell & Hayvesigant in anni either allow the claimant to remain or deport him. It was, therefore, clear that special considerations applied to persons seeking asylum and a

Before Lord Justice Balcombe and Sir Michael Kerr Undement April 81

Poll tax defaulter

can be sent to

jail in his absence

Regina v Northampton Mag-istrates' Court. Ex parte days for non-payment of the community charge.

natural and wide meaning to be given to the words "other market-able commodities" in section 33 of the Aberdare Markets and Robin Campbell for the plaintiffs, Mr Michael Baker, QC and Miss Patricia Robertson for the

The Court of Appeal so stated when allowing an appeal by the plaintiffs. Aberdare Markets and Town Hall Co, from the judgment of Mr Justice Harman on Febor Mr Austice Harman on February 22, 1992, by granting an unrestricted interlocutory injunction preventing the defendants, Bolwell and Hayward Ltd, Mr Peter Bolwell, Mr Richard Hayward and Mr Kenneth Griffiths, from Land

MR JUSTICE HENRY said

that where the issue of a warrant was postponed on conditions, and the conditions were broken, the application to the court for the warrant to issue, and the court's duties and power to entertain and

act on that application, arose under section 12 of the Inter-pretation Act 1978 and not under

regulation 41: see In re Wilson

notice of the hearing be given to the defaulter. There was no added

had to be present.

In the instant case, the ap-

plicant was on notice to appear and chose not to do so. The justices had been entitled to make

Natural justice required that

SIR MICHAEL KERR said

that the defendants claimed to be legitimately able to sell articles other than solids for human and animal consumption. The judge had held that the words in section 33 of the 1880 ities" were to be construed in the limited sense for which the defen-

dants contended, namely ejustem generis with the fore-

going words.

Reading the 1880 Act together with the Aberdare Markets Act dare; Llewellin & Co. Newport.

Solicitors: Sharpe Pritchard for Marchant Harries & Co. Aber-

Children cannot circumvent housing rules

Regina v Berdey London
Borough Council, Exparte B
Regina v Oldham MBC, Ex

A local housing authority was under no obligation to rehouse a dependent child whose parents lication under section 62 of the Housing Act 1985 for perma-ment accommodation had been nent accommodation had been refused on the ground that that they were intentionally homeless. Mr Justice Henry so held in the Queen's Bench Division on April 13 when dismissing applications

by way of judicial review by (i) B, aged five, against the decision of the London Borough of Bealey that the council had no legal obligation to rehouse him; (ii) G, aged four, against the refusal by the Metropolitan Borough of Oldham to extertain his applica-

MR JUSTICE HENRY said that the local housing authority's duty to provide any accommoda-tion under the Act only arose in the case of applicants who had a

The intention of Parliament was clear, that families with dependent children automatically received priority status but that priority was lost when they were intentionally homeless within the intentionally homeless within the meaning of the 1985-Act.

apply in their own right, a procedure necessary only when the obvious applicants were in-

Human Rights Law Report

Strasbourg

Length of proceedings violated AIDS sufferer's rights **PA/SECRETARY**

X v France

(Case No 81/1991/333/406) Before R. Ryssdal, President and Judges J. Cremona, F. Golcuklu, L. E. Pettit, R. Macdonald, A. Spielmann, N. Valticos, J. M. Morenilla and A. N. Baka

Registrar M.-A. Eissen [Judgment March 31]

Excessive length of proceedings brought to obtain compensation before the French administrative

before the French administrative authorities and the Paris administrative court violated an AIDS sufferer's rights under article 6, paragraph 1, of the European Couvention on Human Rights.

The European Court of Human Rights so held in a unanimous judgment delivered within six months of the case being referred to it by the Commission. The applicant was HTV positive and subsequently developed full AIDS

subsequently developed full ALDS from a blood transfusion. Having regard to the incurable disease from which the applicant suffered and his reduced life expectancy, exceptional diligence was called for in this instance.

Article for the control of the control

Article 6, paragraph 1 provides
"In the determination of his civil
rights and obligations ... everyone is entitled to a ... hearing ...
within a reasonable time by [a] ...

tribunal . . ".

The applicant, who was a haemophiliac, was given, in particular between September 1984 and January 1985, a number of blood transfusions in a Paris public hospital. On June 21, 1985 he was found to have been

1985 he was found to have been infected with the AIDS virus. Following the failure of attempts by an association representing haemophiliacs to obtain from the state compensation for the damage sustained by its members who had been so infected May Victorial Pages 1986. fected, Mr X lodged, on December 1, 1989, an application with the Minister for Health, a nec-essary preliminary step in this case to instituting proceedings in the administrative courts.

He claimed compensation for the damage resulting allegedly from the negligent delay on the part of the authorities in introduc-ing regulations on the provision of

blood products.

The Director General for Health rejected the claim on March 30, 1990. On May 30, the applicant sued for compensation in the Paris administrative court. On December 20, 1991 that court dismissed his application. Mr X appealed to the Paris Administrative Court of Appeal on January 20. 1992. He died on February 2, 1992.

The application which was lodged with the European Commission of Human Rights on February 19, 1991 was declared admissible on July 12, 1991. Having attempted unsuccessfully to secure a friendly settlement, the Commission drew up a report on October 17, 1991 establishing the facts and expressing the opinion, by 13 votes to 2, that there had been a violation of article 6, paragraph 1. The Com-mission referred the case to the Court on October 18, 1991.

In its judgment, the European Court of Human Rights held: The applicant had died, but his parents expressed the wish to continue the proceedings. In accordance with its own case law,

the Court accepted that they were entitled to take Mr X's place in the II Alleged violation of article 6,

A Applicability
The Government contended.

that article 6 did not apply in as much as the applicant had founded his action exclusively on the state's liability for negligence in the exercise of its regulatory authority, which in France fell outside the principles of the civil law and could not be classified as

The Court noted that in conformity with its consistent case law the notion of civil rights and obligations was not to be inter-preted solely by reference to the respondent state's domestic law and that article 6, paragraph 1, applied irrespective of the parties' status, be it private or public, and stants, be it private or public, and
of the nature of the legislation
which governed the dispute. It
was sufficient that the outcome of
the proceedings should be decisive for private rights and
obligations. In its opinion that
had indeed been the case in the
proceedings in question is view of proceedings in question in view of the purpose of the action and article 6, paragraph 1, was there-

fore applicable. B Connliance

I Period to be taken into consid-The period to be taken into consideration had begun on December I, 1989, the date of the preliminary application for compensation lodged with the Minister for Health and had not yet ended, as Mr X had filed an appeal with the Paris Administrative Court of Appeal on January 20, 1992. It had there-

fore already lasted more than two 2 Reasonableness of length of the proceedings

(a) Complexity of the case
In the Court's opinion, the case was one of some complexity and investigations could have been necessary to determine the state's liability and its extent. However, the Government had probably been aware for a long time that proceedings were imminent. It would have been possible for

them to obtain much of the relevant information and they ought to have commissioned an objective report on the question of liability immediately after the commencement of the cases against them.

(b) The applicant's behaviour
The Government had criticised the applicant for not having produced until July 11, 1990

medical information on his personal condition and for having, prior to that, expressed himself in very general terms, which failed to make it clear that he had devel-

oped full AIDS. They considered that urgency could not be assessed in the abstract. Mr X had also made the mistake of opting for a means of redress which necessitated a wide scale investigation and which went beyond the confines of an action for damages, whereas he could have brought other proceedings, for instance against the suppliers of the contaminated plasma or the establishment where the transfusion had been

The Court observed that already in his memorial of July 11, 1990 the applicant had sed the consequences for him of the discovery that he was HIV positive and of the idea that he was potentially afflicted with an incurable disease. In his supplementary memorial of Octo-ber 29, 1990, he had stated that

his condition had deteriorated. Even before the disclosure on September 10, 1991 that he had developed full AIDS, he had therefore drawn the administrative court's attention to the worsening of his condition and the immediacy of the grave risks with which he was con The Court added that the choice of the means of redress for

obtaining compensation fell to the applicant alone. (c) Conduct of the national (i) Administrative authorities

The applicant complained that the relevant minister had waited until the last day of the four-month prescribed period before rejecting the preliminary applica-tion and until February 21, 1991 before filing his memorial in the administrative court.

The government maintained that a party could not be criticised for using the entire period prescribed by statute for replying and that the filing of the ministerial defence memorial had not been indispensable for the continuation of the proceedings. The Court could accept that

argument only in so far as the nature and importance of what was at stake for the applicant (ii) Judicial authorities

The applicant had acknowledged that the examination of his case had not suffered any really abnormal delay. He argued nevertheless that his case, like those of the other infected haemophitiacs, ought to have been dealt with as a matter of urgency because the life expec-tancy of the persons concerned was from 16.7 to 28.5 months. According to the Government,

it was impossible to establish a rigid link between the length of proceedings and the individual circumstances of a party to them because that would disrupt the

Evidently the courts should proceed more quickly where health and life were at risk, but they proceedings on the basis of the seriousness of an illness. Far from disregarding the

proceedings had respected the degree of urgency of the case and had not disclosed any failure on the part of the relevant court in that regard. Like the Commission, the Court took the view that what was a stake in the contested proceedings had been of crucial importance

for the applicant, having regard to the incurable disease from which he was suffering and his reduced life expectancy.

He was HIV positive when he lodged his preliminary application with the minister and instituted proceedings in the administrative court and he had

subsequently developed full AIDS. There had been a risk that any delay might render the ques-tion to be resolved by the court oid of purpose In short, exceptional diligence had been called for in this instance, notwithstanding the number of cases which were pending, in particular as it was a controversy the facts of which the Government had been familiar with for some months and the seriousness of which must have

Yet the administrative count had not used its powers to make orders for the speeding up of the progress of the proceedings, al-though from October 29, 1990 it

had been aware of the deteriora-tion in Mr X's health.

In particular it had been under a duty, as soon as the case had

been referred to it, to conduct enquiries into the responsibility of the state and to enjoin forcefully the minister to produce his de-fence memorial or to give judgment without it. Having made an overall assessreasonable time had already been

ment of the circumstances of the case, the Court found that a exceeded when the judgment was delivered on December 18, 1991. It therefore held unanimously that there had been a violation of article 6, paragraph 1. III Application of article 50

A Damage
The Court noted that the applicant had undenlably sustained non-pecuniary damage. Having taken into account the various relevant factors and made an assessment on an equitable basis in accordance with article 50, it awarded to his parents the entire FFr150,000 sought.

B Costs and expenses
Having had regard to the
evidence at its disposal and to its
case law in the field, the Court
allowed in their entirety the applicant's claims in respect of the costs and expenses incurred be-fore the Commission and Court

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Bees remake history

RESEARCHERS have isolated the genetic material DNA from bees preserved in amber for between 25 and 40 million years. In the latest issue of Medical Science Research. a team from the University of California and California Polytechnic State University says that the DNA is from the bee Problebein dominica, and was found in the northern region of the Dominican Republic. They believe that this is the oldest DNA yet isolated, and are now trying to sequence the DNA to establish the relationship between the ancient bee and its modern descendants.

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A NEW children's science village, said to be the largest interactive exhibition centre of its type in

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de la Villette in northeast Paris. The displays are designed to allow. children to have fun while learning something about science and technology. The centre, designed for five-to-twelve year olds, is open every day but Monday; the nearest Metro stop is porte de la Villette.

Papaw riches

Science under

the microscope

New books by Bryan Appleyard and Mary Midgley have taken a critical look at the idea that science is a panacea not

only for everyday ills but also for moral and spiritual problems. Next month The Times, in association with Dillons and Picador, is sponsoring a debate, chaired by Melvyn Bragg, on the motion "The Heartless Truths of Science Strip

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THE papaw, a native American plant, could provide a new source of drugs and pesticides, according to Jerry McLaughlin of Purdue University in Indiana. He has found that a class of metricials found that a class of materials called acetogenins which can be isolated from the papaw and related plants have powerful anti-cancer and anti-malarial effects. In

Europe, has opened at at the Cité animal tests one of the acetogenins des Sciences de l'Industrie at Parc proved 300 times as potent against cancer cells as taxol, fiself a promising drug isolated from the bark of the Pacific Yew, and the papaw also yields chemicals effective against pests. According to a report in Biotechnology, the plants are so plentiful in the United States that they could supply huge quantities of the materials, if pharmaceutical companies were to take an interest in their use.

Radiating fear

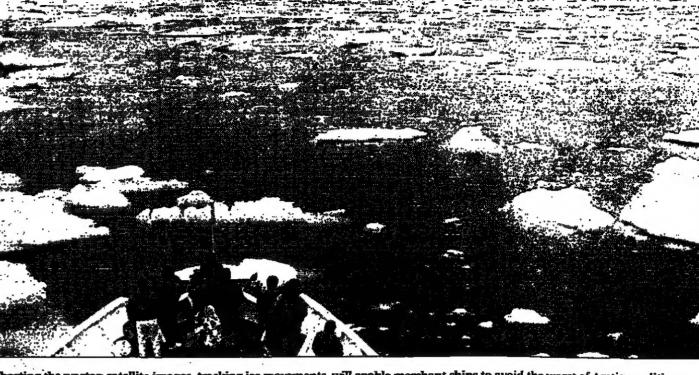
PUBLIC fears about low-level radiation are hindering work in nuclear medicine, a Nobel prizewinning biologist says. Dr Rosalyn Yalow, senior investigator at the Veterans Affairs Medical Centre in New York, told an American Chemical Society meeting that in the United States there is a phobia about radiation which is discourag-ing researchers and inhibiting hospitals from using life-saving techniques. She adds that it is becoming difficult even to find sites for hospitals to dump low-level nuclear waste. "If hospitals cannot get rid of their radio isotopes, they will eventually be forced to stop using them," she told the ACS meeting.

Winter fuel

PROFESSOR David Thorley of City University in London has developed a new product designed to deal with the contamination of diesel fuel by water. This is an important cause of transport break-downs, particularly in cold weather when waxing occurs as a result of water crystals freezing within the fuel system. The new product, Aquasolve, is added to the fuel and bonds the water to the fuel to produce a mixture that burns deanly with no power losses. The additive is marketed by SHURflo Lid of Reigate, Surrey.

Silicone yes

DESPITE a United States moratorium on their use, Europe's plastic surgeons see no reason to stop using silicone breast implants. After meeting to discuss the issue, representatives of 12 national European plastic surgery societies said in a statement. The consensus was that at present there is no scientific evidence to reconsider using these implants." The implants — sacs filled with silicone gel — were withdrawn from the American market in January after the Food and Drug Administration called for a moratorium to enable scientists to conduct a further review of



Charting the wastes: satellite images, tracking ice movements, will enable merchant ships to avoid the worst of Arctic conditions

Eye in the sky on ice

ritish scientists are obtaining new data about the polar ice caps, allowing them to assess how quick-ly the Earth's climate is changing because of global warming. They are using the European Remote Sensing satellite (ERS-1), launched last summer, to obtain imprece-

dented views of both polar caps. "Previous satellites have only monitored fairly low latitudes," says ERS-1 investigator Dr Chris Rapley, of the Mullard Space Science Laboratory near Dorking, Surrey. "Only half of Greenland and very little of Antarctica have ever been mapped from space."

Some glaciologists even go as far as
to say that the south pole is less well
charted than the surface of the Moon.

The satellite is in a near-polar orbit 780 km (almost 500 miles) above the Earth's surface. Virtually the whole of our planet can be monitored over a period of three days. The satellite uses microwave sensors which "see" through cloud and can operate at night, allowing glaciologists to observe the extent and motions of ice even during the

long polar night.
Although only 10 per cent of the Earth's surface is covered by ice it has a fundamental effect on dimate. Ice coverage limits the exchange of heat between the atmosphere and the ocean in polar-regions, acting as a thermal blanThe problem of global warming is closer to solution, thanks to a satellite

called ERS-1, Nicholas Booth reports

ket. "The polar ice acts as a valuable marker for global climate change," says Dr Gareth Rees, of the Scott Polar Research Institute in Cambridge. "The amount of ice present over any season tells you how cold it's been. Any changes in climate will be mirrored by conditions at the poles."

Polar ice also serves to keep the Earth as a whole "cool". If the Earth's climate is warming up then there is a fear that the increased melting of ice will serve to acceler-

ate global warming.
The logic runs as follows: if the atmosphere warms up, then more will ice will melt. Less ice means less radiation is reflected back to space and more heat is absorbed. What would then result is a catastrophic rise in the mean sea level across the globe. "We can speculate." Dr Rees says, "but in the absence of hard data that's all it is — speculation."

Obtaining that data is not straightforward, because the polar caps are wholly different from each other. Antarctica's ice sits on a "shelf" of underlying rock and is very deep — in places as much as 4km (more than two miles) deep. Formed mainly from compacted

snow, it changes very little from year to year and accounts for something like 90 per cent of all fresh water on Earth.

Arctic ice essentially floats, as it is frozen seawater into which salts and air bubbles are frozen. At most 30 to 100 metres deep, it is constantly melting, slipping and re-freezing. Arctic waters are full of ice flows, pack ice and slush water which to date have been very difficult to distinguish. However, two instruments

aboard ERS-1 will give glaciologists their first systematic views of the poles. One is known as the Radar Altimeter, which sends a pulse of microwave radiation down to the Earth's surface. By measuring the time it takes to return, the height of the underlying terrain can be worked out down to a scale of 10cm. This means that a threedimensional map of polar ice can be built up with unprecedented

The second instrument is known as the Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) which builds up a view of Earth down to a scale of 25m. The way in which the surface reflects these "radar footprints" will allow

glaciologists to distinguish between ice and sea in the Arctic regions. So, for example, high resolution images of icebergs will be returned, invaluable for the routing of ships in polar regions. Tankers returning oil from Alaska could save days in transportation time by picking the best route. Already, the European Space Agency is discussing making this navigational data available to Murmansk Shipping, whose ships regularly ply the hazardous waters

of the Barents Sea. Data from both instruments will enable polar scientists to build up a global inventory of ice. "ERS-! will enable us to work out the rates of growth and shrinkage of the polar ice," Dr Rees says, "Eventually the data will enable climatologists to see how quickly the Earth's climate is changing."

ERS-1 passed its engineering validation tests at the end of last year, and now scientists are expecting a deluge of data — the SAR on board ERS-1 returns the equivalent of five volumes of the Encyclopaedia Britannica every second.

The agency has disseminated test data from all its instruments to the general scientific community to allow scientists to see how effective its analyses are. "Its quality is so high we can't wait for the real data to come in" Rees says.

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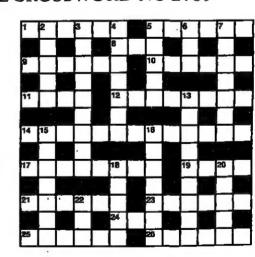
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By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

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7.20 Peep and the Big Wide World (r) (2774001) 7.35 Little
Duck Blue Feather (8366914)

11.00 Film: Swallows and Amazons (1977) starring Virginia McKenna and Ronald Fraser. Sympathetic version of Arthur Ransorne's children's adventure, directed by Claude Whatham (84074)

12.30 The Flintstones Comedy Show (r). (Ceefax) (8291865) 12.55 Regional News and weather (13110049)

1.00 One O'Clock News and weather (83518136) 1.15 Neighbours.

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1.40 Bank Holiday Grandstand introduced by Bob Wilson. The line-up is (subject to alteration): 1.45 Gymnastics: the world championships from Paris; 2.30 Ice Hockey: Whitley Warriors play Cardiff Devils; 3.25 Racting: the Jameson Irish Grand National; 3.35 Showjumping: the Volvo world cup final; 3.50 Football half-times: 4.00 Spooker; the Empares under desampleschip. times; 4.00 Snooker: the Embassy world championship; 4.35 Final Score (88839681)

5.10 Cartoon. An MGM classic Wayward Pups (r). (Ceefax) (7023440) 5.20 News and weather (8100575) 5.30 Regional News and sport

5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (116372) 6.00 Film: Tarzan in Manhattan (1989) starring Joe Lara. An urban

jungle adventure directed by Michael Schultz. (Ceefax) (s) (91643) 7.30 Television's Greatest Hits. Classics from 1978. These include Norway's "nuls points" in the Eurovision Song Contest. (Ceefax) (s) 8.00 Film: The Naked Gun (1988).

 CHOICE: The makers of the spoof disaster movie Airplane! had an • CHOICE: The makers of the spoof disaster movie Aipplaner had an even bigger hit with this boisterous tongue-in-cheek thriller featuring Leslie Nielson as a fumbling cop trying to prevent the assassination of Queen Elizabeth II (played by lookalike Jeanette Charles) during a visit to Los Angeles. The Naked Gun was based on a television series which failed after a handful of episodes, even if Nielson's hilariously deadpan performance gained an Emmy nomination. But after a muddled start the film soon hits its stride, with the case consistency. with the gags spraying out in all directions. Many are focused on Nielson's Frank Drebin, a detective of the inspector Clouseau school who tries to stand on his dignity as chaos breaks out around him. Priscilla Presley provides decorative support and the director David Zucker maintains a furious pace. (Ceefax) (s) (4774339)

9.25 News with Michael Buerk. (Ceefax) Regional news and weather



• Thacker.
• CHOICE: A very rum offering for Easter Monday stars. Lesile Phillips as an ex-colonial returning with his wife (Margaret Tyzack) to his peaceful Oxfordshire village and landing himself in a madhouse. Lured back by the death of a former sweetheart, he finds her malign influence apparently extending far beyond the grave. The piece is described as a dark comedy but there is far more darkness than laughs. Perfays the writer. There MacMahlab had in darkness than laughs. Perhaps the writer, Tony MacNabb, had in mind an upper-class version of Cold Comfort Farm, though his intentions are difficult to determine through a serpentine plot which seems to have been designed to cause maximum puzzlement. Phillips drifts through the drama like a man bemused, as well he night be. (Ceefax) (s) (8651339)

11.05 Cagney and Lacey. American policewomen drama series (r). (Ceefax) (173372). Northern Ireland: I Love a Piano
11.55 When in Spain. With Andrew Sachs (r) (388952). Northern Ireland: Cagney and Lacey 12.40am-1.05 When in Spain 12.20am Weather (2564421)

BBC2

8.15 Travel Show UK Mini Guides. Lake Windermere (r) (9492575) 8.20 Moving Stories. The problems involved in buying a million pound house (r) (2946285)

9.00 Film: Keep "Em Flying (1941, b/w). Abbott and Costello cause chaos in the air and on the ground when they join a flying school. Directed by Arthur Lubin (6850597)

10.20 Town Portraits. John Grundy discovers the architectural delights of Rothbury, a stone-built Border town nestling in the Northumbrian hills (r) (4202643)

10.30 Snooker. Eamonn Holmes introduces first round action in the Embassy world championship, from the Crudble, Sheffield (95589204)

1.25 Fingermouse. Animation (r) (83595285) 1.40 Film: Thoroughly Modern Millie (1967) starring Julie Andrews and Mary Tyler Moore. Lively and likeable comedy musical following the fortunes of a 1920s gold-digging flapper who becomes involved with an eligible bachelor, an actress, white slavers and a ne'er-dowell salesman. With James Fox, John Gavin and Beatrice Lille. Directed by George Roy Hill. (Ceefax) (25500020)

3.55 The Brahms Symphonies. The last in the series features No 4 in E minor, played by the Leipzig Gowandhaus Orchestra conducted by Kurt Masur (s) (6359198)

4.45 Snooker, Further coverage of the Embassy world championship, introduced by Eamonn Holmes



The Freddie Mercury Tribute Concert For Aids Awareness.

Tony Wilson and Lisa l'Anson introduce live coverage from Wembley Stadium of the concert in memory of the lead singer of the group Queen who died last November. Among those appearing are Montserrat Caballé, David Bowie, Elton John, Annie Lennox, Metallica, Robert Palmer and Def Leppard (s) (simultaneous broadcast with Radio 1)

NB: the following programme times are approximate 9.30 Snooker. David Vine introduces further coverage of the Embassy world professional championship. James Wattana completes his match against Tony Jones and the 1985 winner Dennis Taylor meets Mick Price (68285)

Mick Price (68285)

10.30 Film: Life and Nothing But (1989).

CHOICE: The Bertrand Tavernier season concludes with his thoughtful and gently cynical piece set in the aftermath of the first world war. In France in 1920 a French major (Philippe Noiret) heads a military unit assigned to trace soldiers missing in action. His work brings into contact with two women. The wealthy Irène (Sabine Azéma) wants him to find her husband. Alice (Pascale Vignal), a teacher working as a waitress, is searching for her missing sweetheart. It transpires that husband and lover are the same person a contributore which horders on contributore but one that person, a coincidence which borders on contrivance but one that allows Tavernier to contrast the social and emotional worlds which the women inhabit. In the film's ironic public dimension the major is charged with finding a corpse suitable to be buried at the Arc de Triomphe as the unknown soldier (29733894)

12.40am Snooker. David Vine with the latest news and highlights of the day's play from the Crucible, Sheffield (6869773). Ends at 1.35

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6.00 TV-em (8745204) 9.25 Cross Wits. Tom O'Connor introduces another round of the word quiz (4378730) 9.55 Out of This World. American comedy series about a young girl with a human mother and an alien father (s) (4074240)

10.25 Film: Summer Magic (1963) starring Dorothy McGuire, Hayley Mills and Burl Ives. Family fun from Disney comedy about a widower who moves to a small town for financial reasons and struggles to raise her young family. Directed by James Neilson (22598759)

12.30 News with Sue Carpenter. (Oracle) Weather (64383575) 12.40 Home and Away. Australian family drama serial. (Oracle) (8265440) 1.10 Live! The World's Greatest Stunts. Hollywood's unrecognised heroes in action (2154681)

2.05 Film: Star Trek II — The Wrath of Khan (1982) starring William

Shatner, Leonard Nimoy, DeForest Kelly and Kirstie Alley. Science fiction adventure about the starship Enterprise and her crew, doing battle with the evil Khan. A polished production, the best chema version of the television series. Directed by Nicholas Meyer. (Ceefax) (s) (490285)

4.05 Home and Away (r). (Oracle) (3839097) 4.35 News with Sue Carpenter. (Oracle) Weather (3768759) 4.45

Thames News. (Oracle) (8930556)
4.50 The Match. Eton Welsby introduces live coverage of the first division game between Leeds United and Coventry City at Elland Road. The commentator is Brian Moore with expert comment from lack Charlton (s) (54452223)

7.00 The Magic Comedy Strip. Comedy, Illusions and magic series (s)

7.30 Coronation Street. (Oracle) (407)



Old adversaries: Sean Connery and Adolfo Celi (8.00pm)

8.00 Film: Thunderball (1965). The fourth of the James Bond adventures and about average for the series. Seen Connery as 007 does battle with his old enemies Spectre who have stolen a Nato aircraft with a nuclear payload and are threatening to destroy Miami if they are not paid a fortune in ransom money. Directed by Terence Young. (Oracle) (20029846)

10.25 News with Sue Carpenter. (Oracle) Weather (787846) 10.40 Thames News (505407) 10.45 Film: Eyes of Laura Mars (1978) starring Faye Dunaway and Tommy Lee Jones. Stylish, pretentious thriller about a fashion photographer who develops the facility to predict a series of ice-pick murders but cannot determine who is responsible. Directed by Irvin

Kershner (68344117) um Kojak: The Marcus Nelson Murders. A feature length episode in which the New York detective investigates the deaths of two room-mates and then has doubts about the guilt of the man arrested for the murders. Starring Telly Savalas, José Ferrer and Ned

Beetty (61271841)

3.20 Reep the Whiriwind. Historical drama serial set in 19th-century
Cape Town. Starring Annette Crosbie of One Foot in the Grave
fame (s) (2620889)

4.20 Music Special. Neil Young before an appreciative Berlin audience (s) (7581044) 5.30 iTN Morning News (28131). Ends at 6.00

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8.00 The Wonderful Wizard of Oz (s) (7298662) 6.25 The Wombles (r) (9637049) 6.30 Kaboodle II (r) (38830) 7.00 Heathcliff (r) (7675440) 7.25 The Turkey Caper (r) (7694575) 7.50 Meerkats (r) (8369001) 8.20 Dangermouse (r) (9484556) 8.25 Simon Combes: An African Experience. A portrait of the wildlife artist (r) (5584681) 9.00 Channel 4 Region: The Montangermouse (r) (9484581)

9.00 Channel 4 Racing: The Morning Line. Includes a preview of this afternoon's Irish Grand National at Fairyhouse (4373285) 9.25 The Munsters (h/w). Classic comedy about a ghoulish family (r) 9.25 The Munsters (h/w). Classic comedy about a ghoulish family (r) (4376372) 9.55 Road To Avonlea. Children's drama series (5479865) 10.50 Pete Smith Specialities. Advice for newlyweds

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secret agent comedy starring Don Adams (6391)

12.00 Kingdoms of the East. The Survival team take a look at the red kangaroo whose existence is threatened by encroaching herds of cattle and flocks of sheep (r). (Teletext) (72372) 1.00 Sesame Street. Entertaining early-learning series (r) (81020) .
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4.30 Fifteen to One. Fast-moving general knowledge quiz (s) (4.20)
5.00 Film: Tom Thumb (1958) starring Russ Tamblyn. A musical version of the Brothers Grimm tale about a tiny boy who brings happiness into the life of a woodcutter. With Terry-Thomas, Peter Sallers and

Bernard Miles. Directed by Georges Pal (14380440) 6.45 Jumping. Prize-winning animation from Japan by Osamu Tezuka

(643662) 6.55 Channel 4 News summary (Teletext). Weather (901198)



Martin Scorsese's The Last Temptation of Christ (7.00pm)

7.00 Jesus Christ Movie Star.

 CHOICE: Films about Jesus Christ may be handicapped by a hero who practises neither sex nor violence but the story continues to fascinate. Martin Goodsmith's watchable documentary picks up the fascinate. Martin Goodsmith's watchable documentary picks up the theme almost with the start of the cinema and reaches the present day by way of Cecil B. De Mille, Godspell, Lew Grade and Martin Scorsese. Most of the important works are covered, in clips and the comments of actors and directors. We are even treated to John Wayne's immortal one-liner from The Greatest Story Ever Told. There is a useful gloss from the critic Sheila Johnston, though more might have been said about Dennis Potter's television San of Man or the Monty Python team's Life of Brian. The programme confirms that the finest Jesus film was directed by Pasolini, a Maraist who had been twice arrested for blasphemy. (Teletext) (s) (8865) D Brookside. Soap set in suburban Merseyside. (Teletext) (s) (8391) D Solti's Bartók in Budapest. Georg Solti Joins the Chicago

8.30 Solti's Bartók in Budapest. Georg Solti joins the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and the Hungarian pianist Andras Schiff in a gala performance of some of Bartók's greatest works (s) gala perfor (26196914)

10.15 A Nice Day in the Country. Animation from Canada by Chris Hinton (671846)
 10.25 Northern Exposure. Off-beat American comedy drama starring Bob Morrow as an east coast doctor practising in a remote Alaskan town (872846)

11.25 An Audience with Mel Brooks. The American entertainer wows a celebrity audience (r) (808556) ann Black Dog. Animation by Alison de Vere about a young girl who makes a dream-journey guided by a mysterious black dog (r)

12.50 Twilight Zone: Nightmare as a Child (b/w). A tale of the

supernatural, starring Janice Rule (1281763). Ends at 1.15

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SKY ONE

m The DJ Kat Show (76079865) 8.40 Mrs Pepperpot (3468198) 8.55 Lamb Chops Play-a-Long (5356285) 9.30 The New Leave to Beaver (13643) 10.00 Maude (48914) 10.30 The Young Doctors (55074) 11.00 The Young and the Restless (75556) 12.00 Barnaby Jones (36594) 1.00pm E Street (79372) 1.30 Another World (8657865) 22.00 Santa Barbara (54939223) 2.45 The Bold and the Beauduli (994136) 3.15 The Brady Bunch (991049) 3.45 The Di Kat Show (2845594) 5.00 Criff rent Strokes (7681) 5.30 Bewitched (4846) 6.00 Facts of Life (1759) 6.30 E Street (5339) 7.00 Love at First Sight (4117) 7.30 Alf (4223) 8.00 Masada: Second of a three-part more sense. Starting Peter Strauss and Peter O'Toole (269310) 11.00 Studs (35391) 11.30 Hill Street Blues (64759) 12.30am Outer Limits: I, Robot (80402) 1.30 Pages from Skytext

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Children adopt a rabot (1610914)
12.30pm The People That Time Forgot (1977): Fartasy adventure (83399)
2.00 Troop Beverty HBS (1989): Shelley Long is a Girl Scout leader (67488)
4.00 Memphis Belle (1990): Drama about the crew of the 8-17 bomber (1020)
5.00 Butch Cassidy and the Sessidance Kid (1969): Paul Newman and Robert Redford star as the western outlaws (70952) star as the western outlaws (70952)
8.00 Mly Stepmother is an Alien (1988):
Scientist Dan Ayloroyd marries Kim Basinger (57642643) 9.45 UK Top Ten (435846)
10.05 Death Warrant (1990): Ash-Claude Van Damme goes undercover (6137285)
11.35 Chinn O'Tarlers 2 (1990): Martiel arts thriller (388407)
1.05am Sing (1989): Musical (311889)
1.40 The Retarn of the Swarup Thing (1995): Cornic-book fantasy (2369266)
4.10 Spies, Lies and Alibis (1989): Espionage comedy (943044). Ends at S.45
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THE MOVIE CHANNEL

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8.25 Space Firebird (1985): Japanese Carton (43923049) 18.30 The Hound of the Backervilles (1959): Staming Peter Cushing (55223) 12.00 Berlin Tunnel 21 (1981): American soldiers nunnel under the Berlin Wall to rescue a German girl (637662) 2.30pm B.L. Strylaur — High Mise (1990): Burt Reynolds is taken hostage (59522759) 4.15 Star Trelc 25th Anniversary Special: Clips, interviews and out-takes (809953) 6.15 Star Trelc 'The Final Frontier (1999). William Shatner and crew search for God (409597) 8.15 Home Alone (1990): Macaulay Culcin

8.15 Home Alone (1990): Mazaulay Culkin loaks two house burglars (49063681) 10.05 Marilym and Me (1991): Drame about a reporter's affair with Marilyn Monroe (163846) 11.40 Vietnames wife (112407) 1.20em Sea of Love (1989): Policeman Al Pacino has an affair with prime murder suspect Ellen Barlon (166266) 3.15 The Cincipratol Kid (1965): Steve McQueen challenges Edward G. Robinson to a game of poler (312599). Ends at \$3.00 THE CONSTENS CALLA MARILE.

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Cricket: West Indies v South Africa (88407)
4,00 Superbikes (67914) 5,00 Cricket (4372)
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10.00am Getting Fit with Denise Austin (88556) 10.30 The Great American Gameshows (2505049) 11.20 What's Cooling (6263371) 11.25 Search for Tornarrow (3672223) 11.50 Sally Jessy Raphael (209693) 12.48jms David Hamilton's People (514914) 1.15 The Joan Rivers Show (7335759) 2.05 Skyways (4772285) 3.05 Sell-a-Vision (5536827) 3.30 Cover Story (6469) 4.00 Tes Breat (3210846) 4.10 Dict. Van Dyke Show (6246488) 4.40 The Great American Gameshows (3486136) 5.30 Sell-a-Vision (8440) 6.00 Rehington Steele (48440) 7.00 Sell-a-Vision (890204) 10.00 Jukebox Music Videos (4542778) 2.00am Last Jukebox Dance (33518)

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RADIO 5

News and sport on the hour until 7.00pm.
6.00am World Service: Newshour 6.30 John Briggs's Morning Edition 9.00 Ross king with Take Five 10.25 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 to 1.30 Sport on 5, with Jon Champion. Football: Bardays League—18.00) Manchester Und v Nottingham Forest, and at (5.00) Leeds Und Coventry, Rading from Fairyhouse: Jameson Insh National 7.15 Zesty. The Strong Stomach Corntest. Jimmy Zest stories by Sam McKraovey. Read by John Lynch (¢ 7.30 The Runaways: Last of a three-part adversure by Ruth Thomas 8.00 Euromat 8.45 Farthawe on Five 9.30 Lamb, by Barnar Market Lawerty (3 of 4) 10.10 The Miss, and 11.00 Sport 12.00-12.16am News; Sport

At times in 65T. 4.30am The Week Ahead A.0 Travel and Weather News 4.45 News and Frest Review in German 5.00 German Features 5.24 News in German 5.30 Europe Today 5.59 Weather 6.00 World News 6.30 Londres Math 9.15 Health Matters 9.30 Amything Goes 10.00 News 10.05 World Business Report Lawer 10.15 The People of the Holy Land 10.30 Andy Kershawis World of Alvasis 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 News 11.01 This Human Child 11.30 Londres Mild 11.45 Mittagsmagazin Noon Newschesk 12.30pm Composer of the Month: Henry Purcell 1.00 News 1.03 News 3.05 Outlook 8.30 Europe Tondork 5.30 Europe Tondork 5.30 Europe Soit 6.14 Look Ahead 6.20 World Business Report 1.50 Rev 1.40 News 1.50 News 1.00 News 9.05 News 9.0

RADIO 3

6.55am Weather; News Headlines
7.00 Morning Consoart: Weber,
orch Beritoz (invitation to the
Dance: Hanover Band under
Roy Goodmart); Handel
(Concerto Grosso in F, Op 6
No 2: English Concert under
Trevor Pinnodd; Johann
Strauss, son (Die Belagerung
von Rochelle, Op 31: CSSR
State PO under Alfred Walter)
7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert (cort):
Glazunov (Symphony No 5 in 8
flat: Bavarian RSO under Järvi);
Messager (Solo de Concours:
Colin Bradbury, clariner, Oliver
Davies, piano); Grieg (Two
Norwegian Dances, Op 63:
Moscow Soloists under Yuri
Bashmet)

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8.30 News
8.35 Composers of the Week:
Albéniz and Granados, Albéniz
(Catalonis: Mexico Chy PO
under Enrique Battz); Granados
(Oriental, Darzas españoles,
Set 1: Thomas Rajna, piano);
Granados, arr Bream (Valses
poeticos: Julian Bream, guitar);
Albéniz (Piano Concerto in a
minor, Op 78, Concierto
fantastico: Aido Ciccolini; RPO
under Enrique Battz)
9.35 The Musician within Me:
Bach (Prench Suite No 4 in E
flat, BWV 815: Glenn Gould,
piano); Poulent (Sextet for

tiat, BWV 613: Glean Gould, piano); Poulenc (Sextet for piano and wind: David Owen Norris, piano; Albion Ensemble); Bach (French Suite No 5 in G. BWV 816: Glenn Gould, piano); VBa-Lobos (Bachiana Brasileira No 1; Kresth Cello Cottot: Debusse. (pactional Brashera vo.)
Pleeth Celio Octet): Debussy
(Charsons de Bilitis Sarah
Walker, mezzo, Roger
Vignoles, piano); Ignacio
Cervantes (13 Cuban Dances: Cervantes (13 Cuban Dances:
Jorge Luis Prats, piano); Falla
(Master Peter's Puppet Show;
Solbists; Spanish PO under
Rafael Frühbeck de Burgos);
Bach (French Suite No 6 in E,
BWV 817: Gienn Gould, piano)
11.50 Otaka Conducts
Rachmaninov (Symphony No
2 in E minor: BBC Welsh SO)
1.60pm News

1.00pm News 1.05 Music of the Iberian Peninsula, played by the guitarist Paco Pena, with Jose

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opera performances from the 1991 Salzburg Festival. Vienna State Opera Chorus, Dressien StartsCapelle under Horst Stein, with Harts Peter Blochwitz, tenor, as Belmonte; Kurt Rydl, bass, as Osmin. Sung in German 5.00 Nach Ensemble performs Prokofiev (Overture on Hebrew themes for clarinet, string quartet and plano, Op 34); Shostakovich (Plano Quintint in G minor, Op 57) (r) 5.45 Helmut Walcha: The late German organist plays Bach (Prelude and Fugue in G, BWV 541; Fartisais and Fugue in G minor, BWV 542; Chorale Preludes) on the organs of the St Laurenskerek, Alfamaar, and 5t Pierre-le-Jeune, Strasbourg 6.25 Two Centenaries: BBC CO under Gregory Rose performs Milhaud (Suite, Le train bleu); Tailleferre (Piano Concerto: Penelope Tinveites) 7.00 News 7.05 Third Ear in Baroalone: Easy Labyrinths. The Catalan architect Enric Miralles talks to Sanda Miller 7.30 BBC SO at the 1991 Proms.

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7.30 BBC SO at the 1991 Proms. Mark Wigglesworth and Witold Lutoslawski conduct Britten (Sinfonia da requiem); Lutoslawski (Chantefleurs et Chantefables: Solveig Kringleboth, soprano; Cello Concerto: Natalia Gutman); Bartók (Music for Strings, Percussion and Celesta). Incl at 8.15 Interval Reading
9.20 Castallan Band: In the first of two programmes Loma

9.20 Castellan Band: In the first of two programmes Loma Anderson, soprano, Richard Gwit, violin, Imogen Seth-Smith, cello, Lucy Carolan, harpsichord, perform Momédair (Europe); François Couperin (Allemande; La Raphaele); Montéclair (La mort de Didon)
9.55 Barcelona Snapshot: High Pop Art. Xavier Nieto talks about his 20-metre-high Lichtenstein sculpture on Barcelona's neo-classical harbour front
10.05 Louis Sclavis Quartet: Brian Morton introduces the French

Morton introduces the French jazz quartet, led by Louis Sclavis on bass clarinet and

2.00 Third Opinion in Barcelona, with Christopher Cook (r) 2.45 Die Entführung Aus Dem Serali: The first of four Mozart soprano saxophone 11.30 News 11.35-12.35am Composers of the Week: Lully (r)

RADIO 4

(c) Stereo on FM
S.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00
News Briefing, incl 6.03
Weather 6.10 Farming Today
6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30
Today, incl 6.39, 7.00, 7.30,
8.00, 8.30 News 6.55, 7.55
Weather 6.45 Business News
7.25, 8.25 Sports News 7.25
Thought for the Day 8.43 The
Last of England: The poet Ted
Walker reads from an
autobiographical love story set
in England and Spein (1 of 5)
8.58 Weather

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9.00 News
9.05 Start the Week, with Melvyn
Bragg and guests in Berlin (s)
10.00-10.30am News; The House
(PM only! The final episode of
Christopher Lee's political
drama. With Julian Glover as
Sir Charles Banister (s)
10.00 Daily Service (LW only) from
the Bonar Hell, Dundee
University
10.15 The Böhle (LW only):
Zachariah. Read by Alice
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Vincent Dupgleby
12.00 News; You and Yours, with
John Howard
12.25pm Counterpoint: Ned Shemin
chairs the final of the musical
quiz (s) 12.55 Weather
1.00 The World at One, with
James Naughtie
1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping
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2.00 News; Dickens's Women;
Mirlam Margolyes introduces
and plays the characters from
her West End show, and gives
an insight into the life of the
Victorian writer (s) (f)

3.30 Visiting Lives; A.S. Byatt talks
to Alan Judd about his work
on Ford Madox Ford (s)

4.00 News

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4.00 News

4.05 Kaleidoscope listens to the BBC Symphony Orchestra play Bgar's Violin Concerto; talks to the artist in residence at the Channel Tunnel, meets the jazz saxophonist Sonny Rollins, reviews Robin Richmond in Creation of the Sistine Chapet, and hears listeners' revelations (s)

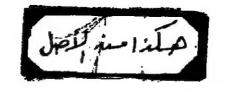
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5.55 Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News
6.30 The News Quiz (s) (r)
7.00 News 7.05 The Archers
7.20 The Food Programme (FM only): Derek Cooper takes an Easter break in the Scottish Borders (r)
7.50 B.00 Smith on Old Age: Stop Taking the Pills (r)
7.20 Woman's Hour (LW only) (r)
8.00 The Monday Play: Are Friends Electric
© CHOKE: Is Lesley Davies's play about a 15-year-old boy (Richard Pearce) dying from cystic fibrosis, overdoing the agony by inflicting the same disease on the lad's brother and sister too? Does the fact that the play is based on an actual family history make it appear even more callous for listeners to complain about excessive wringing of their withers? The individual listener must answer these questions individually. Unarguably, the play is an important focus for cystic fibrosis week awarenes, not least because it lighters a dark landscape with a glimmer of hope (s)

dark landscape with a glimmer of hope (s) 9.30 Kaleidoscope (s) (r) 9.45 The Financial World Tonight: Richard Quest reports from New York and Los Angeles on the American recording industry (s) 9.59 Weather 10.00 The World Tonight, with

10.00 The World Tonight, with Richard Kershaw (s)
10.45 A Book at Bedtime: In My Father's Court, by saac Bashevis Singer. Abridged and read by Neville Jason (1 of 5)
11.00 The Hitch-Hilliam's Guide to the Galaxy: An epic adventure in time and space. Written by Douglas Adams (2 of 6) (s) (r)
11.30 Sweet Adielaide: Singer Adelaide Hall talks about her appearances at the Cotton Club in Harlem (s)
12.00-12.43am News, incl 12.27 Weather 12.33 Shipping Forecast 12.43 World Sarvice (LW only)

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